

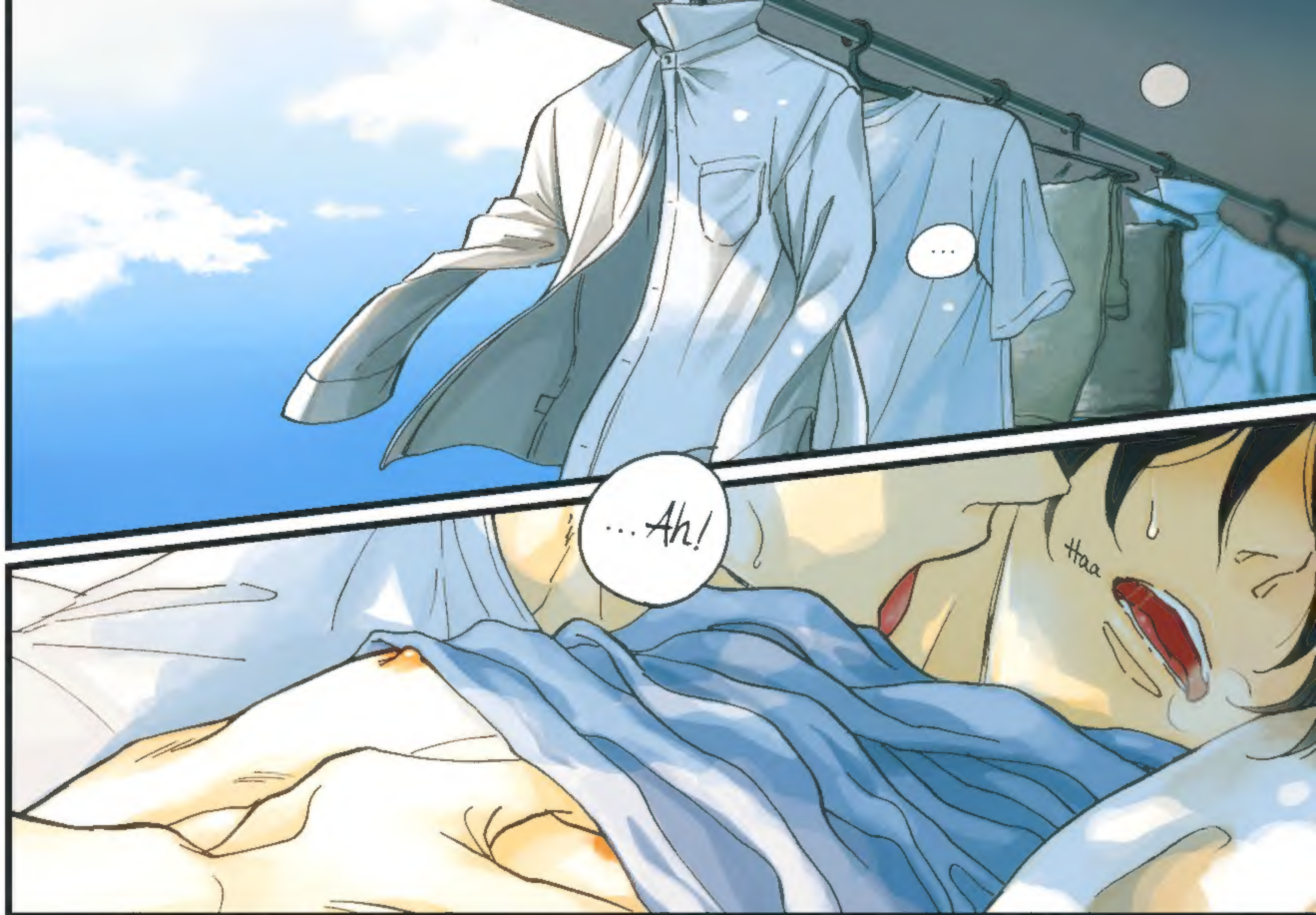
A manga-style illustration of two men. The man on the left has dark, wavy hair and is shirtless, with a white button-down shirt open over his shoulders. The man on the right has light brown hair, wears glasses, and is dressed in a light blue shirt and grey trousers. He is holding the other man's hand near his chest. The background is a textured, warm-toned wash.

Presented by
Aki Ueda

上田アキラ

[恋が満ちたら]

Koi ga Michitara



恋

CHAPTER ONE

THE SUPER
OLDER
GENTLEMAN
HISHIMOTO
X
THE CARING,
DEVOTED
ISE

THEIR LIFE
AS A COUPLE
NOW THAT
THEY LIVE
TOGETHER!

THE START OF THE HIGHLY-ANTICIPATED SEQUEL!!

STORY

ONE NIGHT, RIGHT AFTER HE WAS DUMPED BY HIS BOYFRIEND,
A PAIR OF UNDERWEAR FELL DOWN RIGHT ON TOP OF ISE'S HEAD.
THE OWNER OF THE UNDERWEAR WAS A MAN NAMED HISHIMOTO,
WHO HAD THIS AURA THAT ISE COULD NOT SEEM TO IGNORE,
AND THEY WORKED TOGETHER TO RETRIEVE THE LAUNDRY THAT
HAD GOTTEN ENTANGLED ON A TREE.

HISHIMOTO INVITED ISE UP TO HIS APARTMENT TO THANK HIM, AND
ISE FINDS OUT THAT THE UNDERWEAR WAS DROPPED ON PURPOSE!
HISHIMOTO SAYS THAT HE IS ATTRACTED TO ISE, AND ASKS IF
HE HAS ANY INTEREST IN OLDER MEN?!

CHECK OUT HOW THEY BECAME A COUPLE IN "KOI GA OCHITARA"!

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By Ueda Aki

I know we did it
this morning,
but just
a little more...



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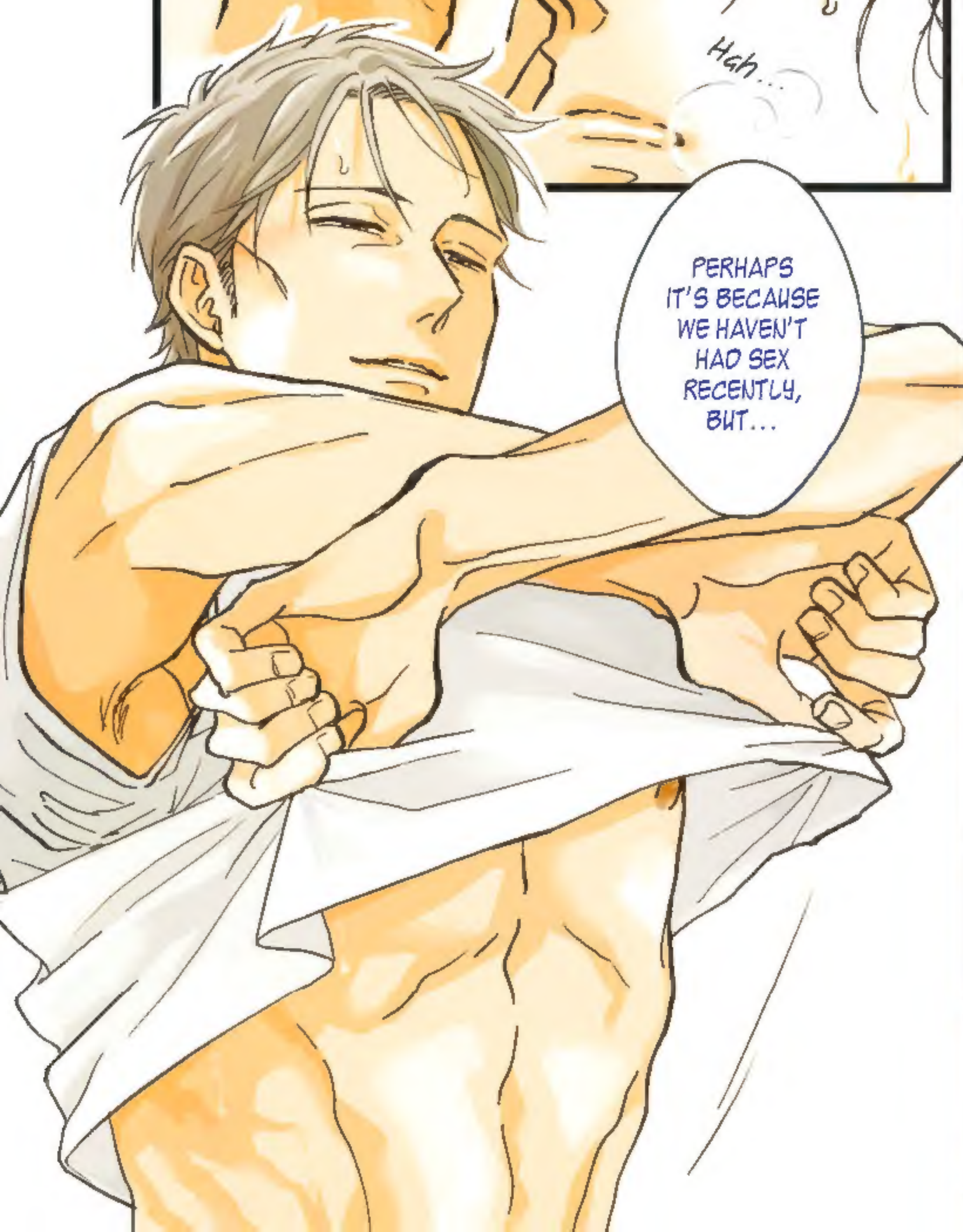
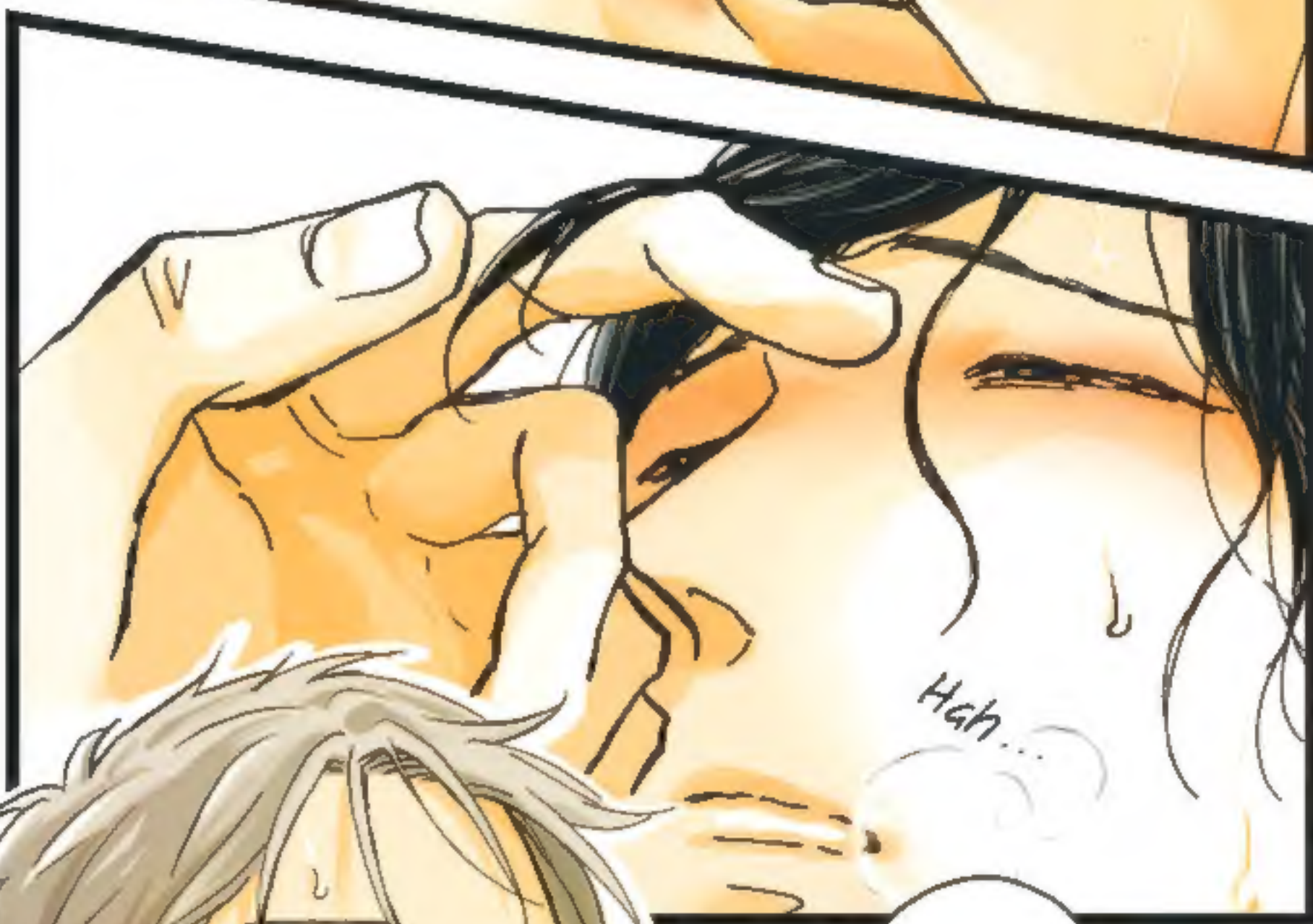
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DRAMA CD
KOI GA OCHITARA
IS NOW ON SALE!
YUKI ISE:
KAZUYUKI OKITSU
TAKAFUMI HISHIMOTO:
KENYUU HORIUCHI
From
Ginger Records

drop COMICS DX
"Koi ga Ochitara"
by Aki Ueda

IN STORES
NOW!!







...TAKAFUMI-SAN,
PLEASE...

HAVING YOU
IN ME LIKE THIS
THE ENTIRE TIME
IS...

I FEEL LIKE
I'M GOING
TO GO
CRAZY...



Haa...

YOU LOOK LIKE
YOU'RE REALLY
FEELING IT.



SWISH

GET ON YOUR
KNEES AND
RELAX.

AH!

volt



...AH,
THAT'S TRUE.

STROKE

shudder

fwah



I WANT YOU
TO TAKE IT
ALL IN SLOWLY,
EXPERIENCE
A LOT OF
PLEASURE,

BUT...



AND SHOW ME
EVERYTHING.



STOP...
STUFF LIKE THAT
IS JUST SO
EMBARRASSING...!



WORDS ARE A
WAY FOR ME TO
EXPRESS MY LOVE.



NO...
I DON'T HAVE
IT IN ME TO
DO THAT...



YOU'RE
PERFECT
EXACTLY
THE WAY
YOU ARE.

KISS



Ha...

THEN...
THAT MEANS
I HAVE TO SAY
SOMETHING
TOO...!

YOU'RE GOING
TO SAY
SUCH WORDS
FOR ME?



IN THAT
CASE,

I'LL REQUEST IT
IN ANOTHER
FORM.

AH...!

Turning his
back while you were
still inside...



There
you go,
always
spoil me like
that...

...BUT,

I WANT TO DO
SOMETHING
FOR YOU TOO,
TAKAFUMI-SAN...



Heh



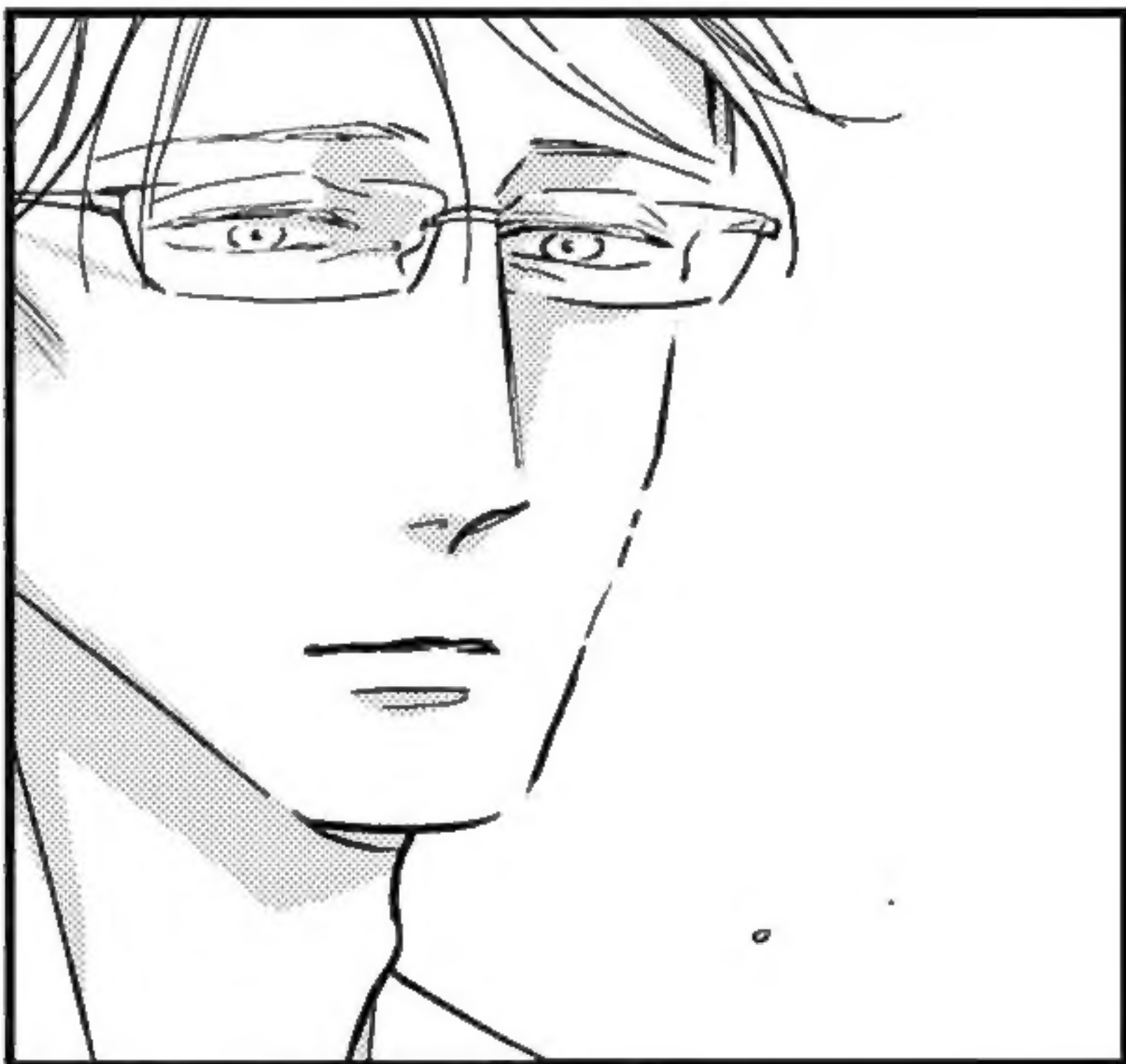
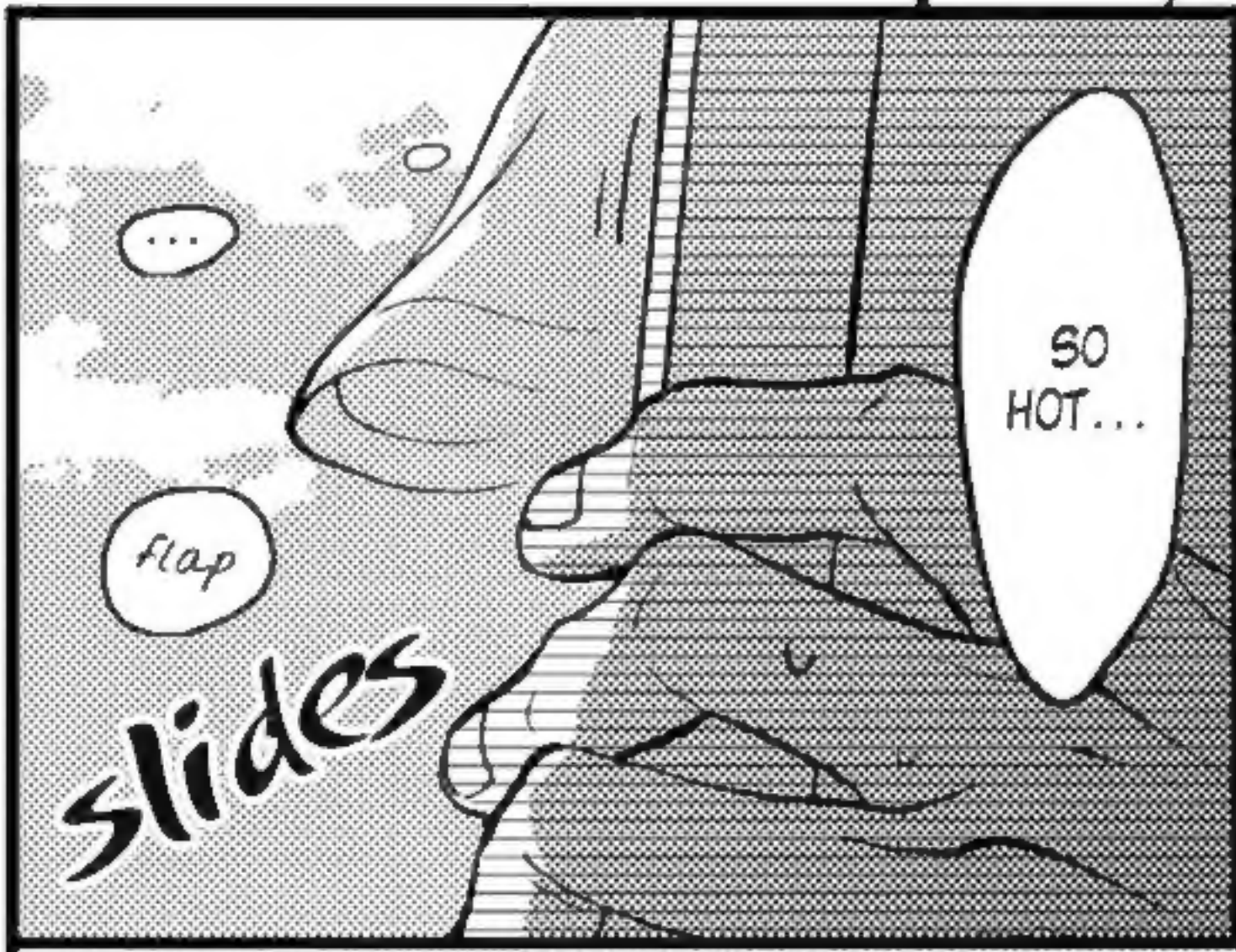


WON'T YOU
LEAVE THAT
FOR LATER?

YOU'RE RIGHT.

are only growing
deeper with
every passing
moment.

The two loves
that fell on us...





So hot



flap

flap



THANK YOU.
Welcome back!

AH,

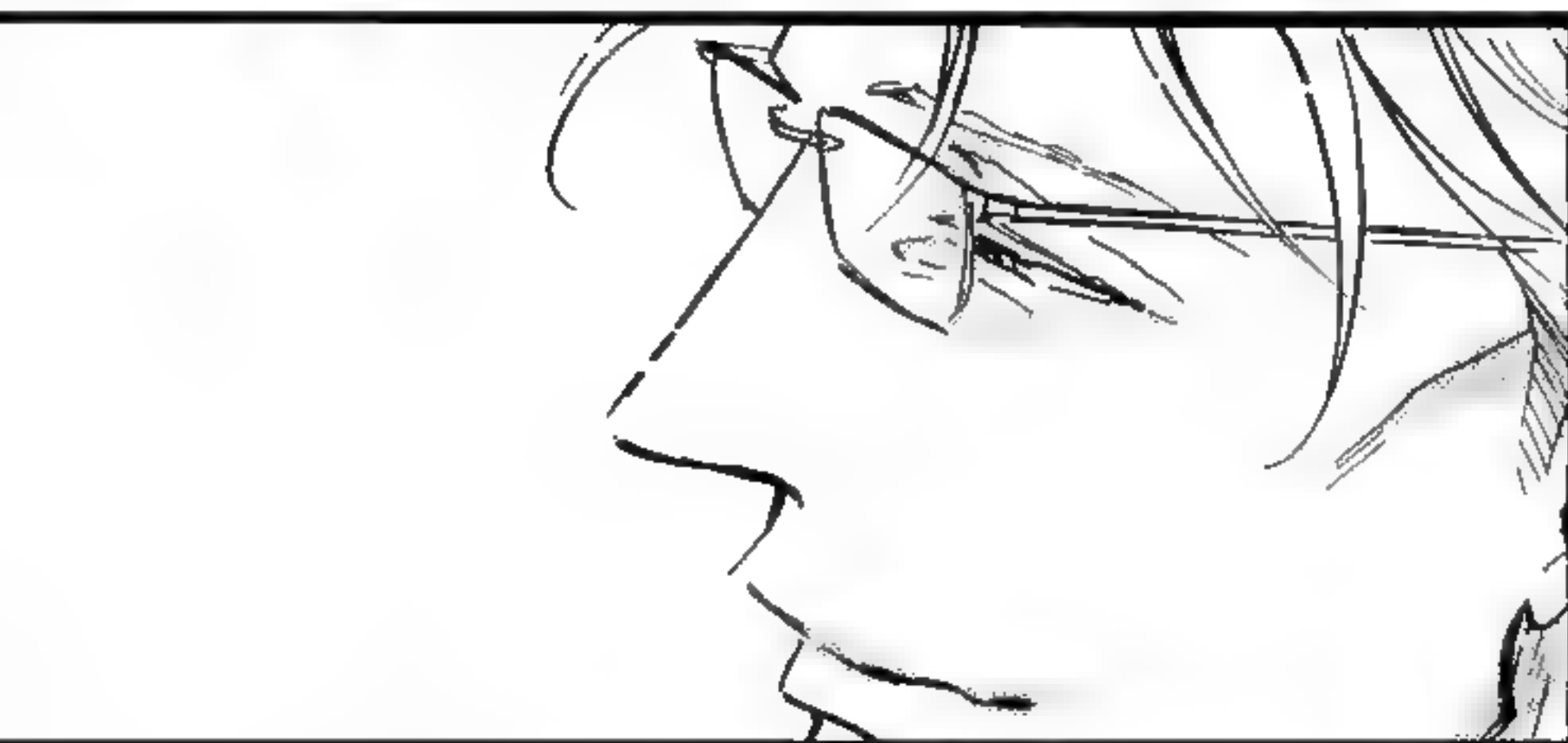
This is for you.

THE BREEZE FEELS GREAT, DOESN'T IT?

creak









Put your glasses off to the side.

Thanks.

IF IT WAS A WEEKDAY, YOU'D NORMALLY HAVE WORK AFTER THIS.



OKAY?

Wah!

THE DAY IS JUST STARTING...

FOR NOW, LET'S JUST TAKE IT SLOW AND THINK IT OVER.

Whoa!



NO,

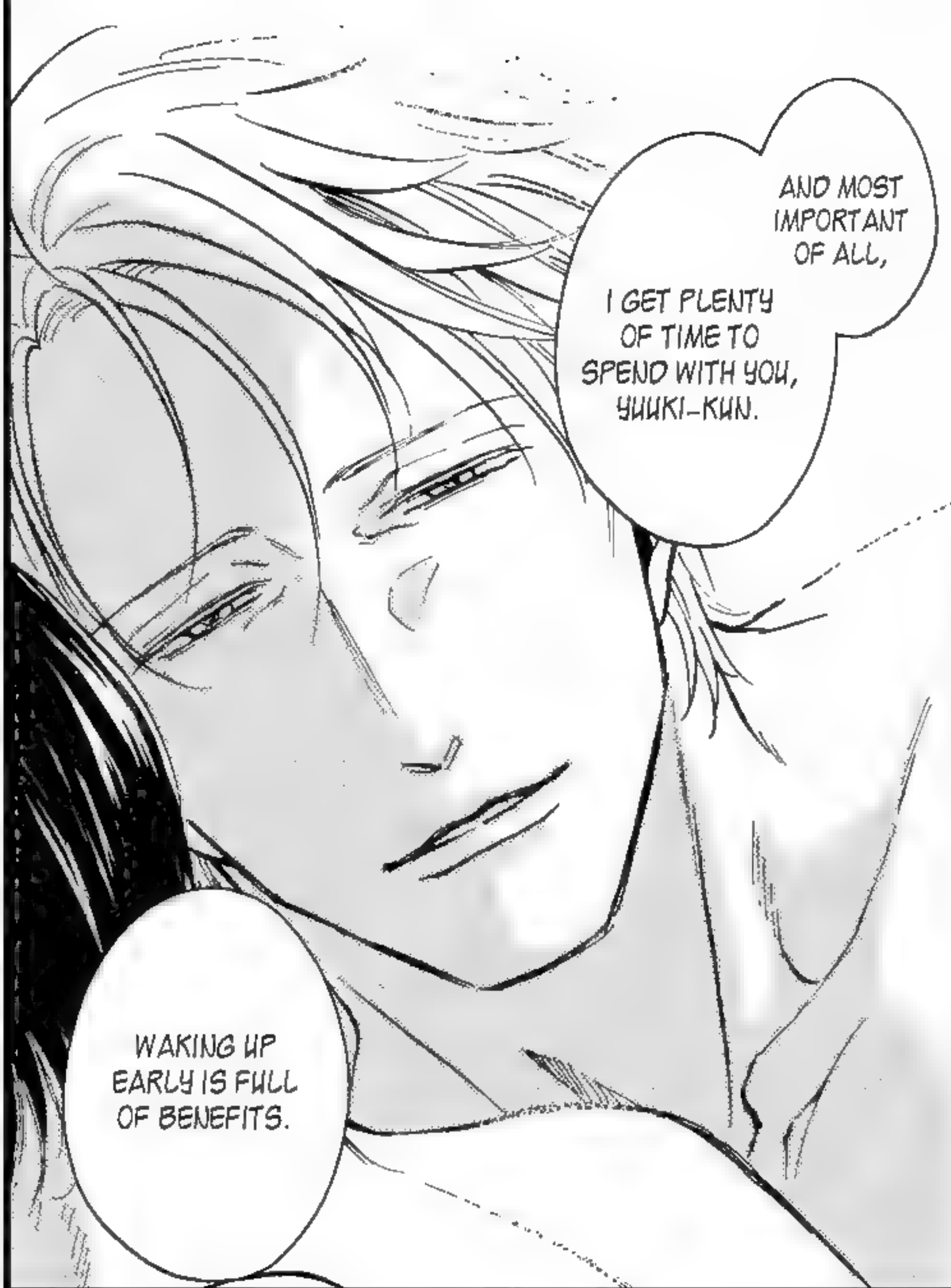
MY HEALTH AND WORK EFFICIENCY ARE MUCH IMPROVED...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FORCE YOURSELF TO GET UP, YOU COULD KEEP SLEEPING.

I SLEEP EARLY AND WAKE EARLY, EVEN ON MY DAYS OFF.

...SINCE I STARTED LIVING WITH YOU,







YES,
THOUGH
WE WERE
CUTTING IT
QUITE CLOSE.

I'M GLAD
WE MADE IT
IN TIME FOR
BREAKFAST.



THE OTHER DAY,
I THOUGHT I WOULD
EXPLORE AND
TAKE A DIFFERENT
ROUTE HOME,
AND CAME
THIS WAY.

THE LOVELY SCENT
OF COFFEE CAME
WAVING FROM
THE SIDE STREET,
AND IT GRABBED
MY ATTENTION.

I THOUGHT
ABOUT GOING IN
ALONE, BUT...



THE FRIED EGG
AND CUCUMBER
SANDWICH
IS AMAZING!

Wow!!
THE EGG SANDWICH
HERE IS REALLY
GOOD!



YEAH,
IT REALLY
IS.

JUST WHAT
I EXPECT
FROM YOU,
TAKAFUMI-SAN!
YOU KNOW SOME
WONDERFUL
RESTAURANTS.

THE COFFEE
IS GREAT
TOO.



I'M...
REALLY
HAPPY TOO.



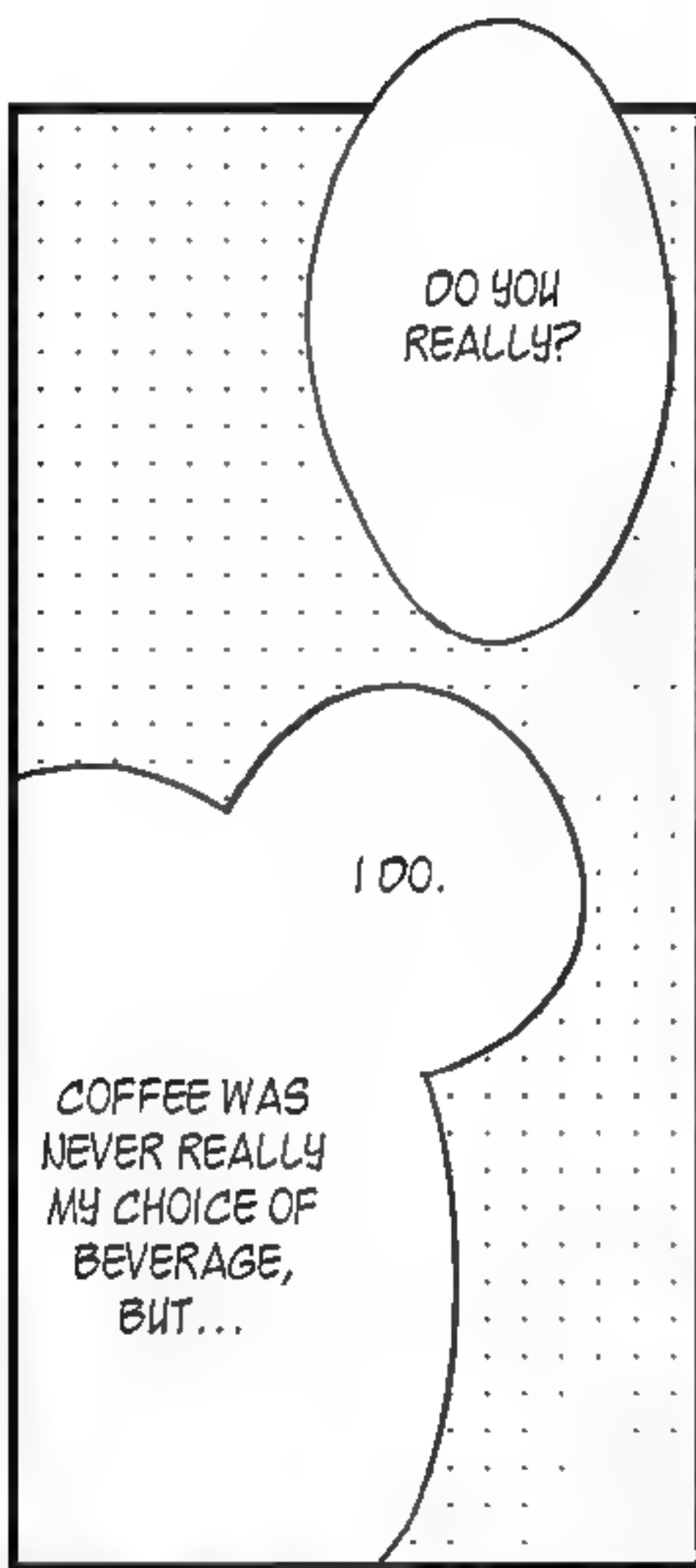
The coffee
is black,
but it feels
sweet...

I still can't
get used to
how you say
things like that
out of the
blue...



JUST AS
I THOUGHT...

I'M HAPPY
MY FIRST TIME
COMING HERE
WAS WITH YOU.





If I drink too much coffee...

I WON'T BE ABLE TO SLEEP AT NIGHT.

OH, SHOULD I BE TAKING THAT AS AN INVITATION?



SINCE WE'RE ON THE SUBJECT, NOW I WANT TO DRINK THE COFFEE THAT YOU MAKE.

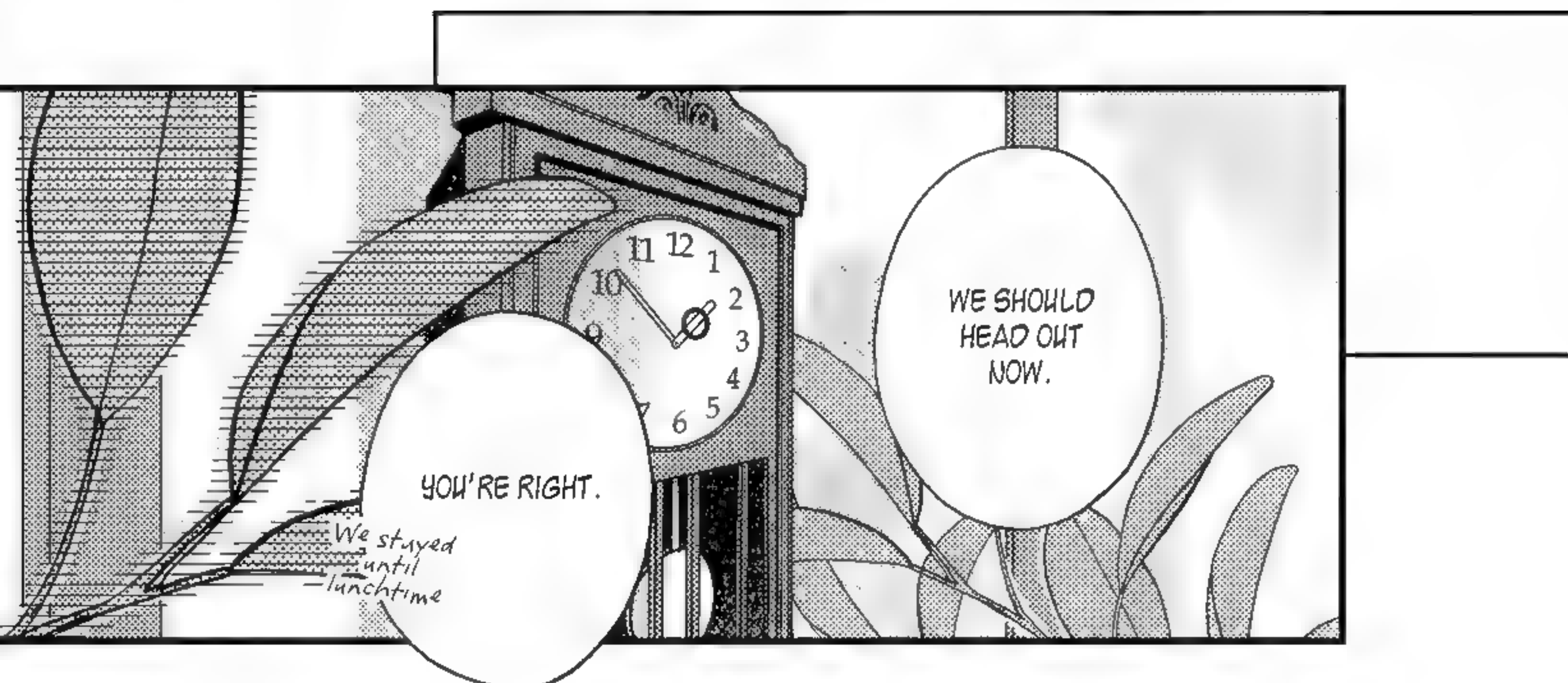
I'LL MAKE AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE.



N-NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!

Geez!

Hehe



WE SHOULD HEAD OUT NOW.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

We stayed until lunchtime





SEEMS LIKE
THERE WILL BE
SOME GOOD ONES,
JUST LIKE THE
CAFE EARLIER.

LET'S WALK
AND EXPLORE
THE AREA AGAIN
SOMETIME.

THERE ARE
ALL THESE
STORES
I DON'T KNOW
ABOUT HERE.

YEAH.



THEN LET'S
RELAX AT
HOME.

I THINK I WANT
TO TAKE IT
EASY FOR
THE REST OF
THE DAY.



SHOULD WE
LOOK AROUND
NOW?

UM...



LET'S DO
THAT...

AH!



I DO LIKE THEM...

AND I JUST...
KIND OF WANT
TO GO ON
A TRIP
SOMEWHERE...

DO YOU LIKE
HOT SPRINGS?

*I think I can
handle warm water
if it's deep
in the mountains.*



TAKAFUMI-SAN,
LOOK!

JUNE
SPECIAL FEATURE
HOT SUMMER
HOT SPRINGS

THEY HAVE
A SPECIAL
FEATURE ON
HOT SPRINGS
FOR THE
SUMMER!

THE TOP 30 STEAMING
HOT SPRINGS TO
VISIT IN SUMMER!

TWENTY WARM SPRINGS
YOU'LL LOVE TO COOL OFF IN!



THAT SOUNDS
GOOD...
LET'S GO!

I'D LOVE
TO GO ON A
HOT SPRING
TRIP ONCE IT'S
THE RIGHT
SEASON.

I ALSO WANT
TO EAT CRABS
WHERE THEY'RE
A SPECIALTY.



AAH...
FOR THE
CRABS,
RIGHT?

EXACTLY!

IF IT'S A
HOT SPRING...
I WOULD WANT
TO GO DURING
THE WINTER.



AH, I FEEL
THE SAME
WAY.

I FIND IT MORE FUN
FLIPPING THE
PAGES OF A
MAGAZINE THAN
READING ABOUT
IT ONLINE...

WE MIGHT AS
WELL BUY THE
MAGAZINE TO
READ AT HOME.

SURE.



I'VE NEVER GONE
ON A TRIP WITH
MY BOYFRIEND
BEFORE.

Whisper



TAKAFUMI-SAN,
I'M REALLY LOOKING
FORWARD TO
WINTER NOW.



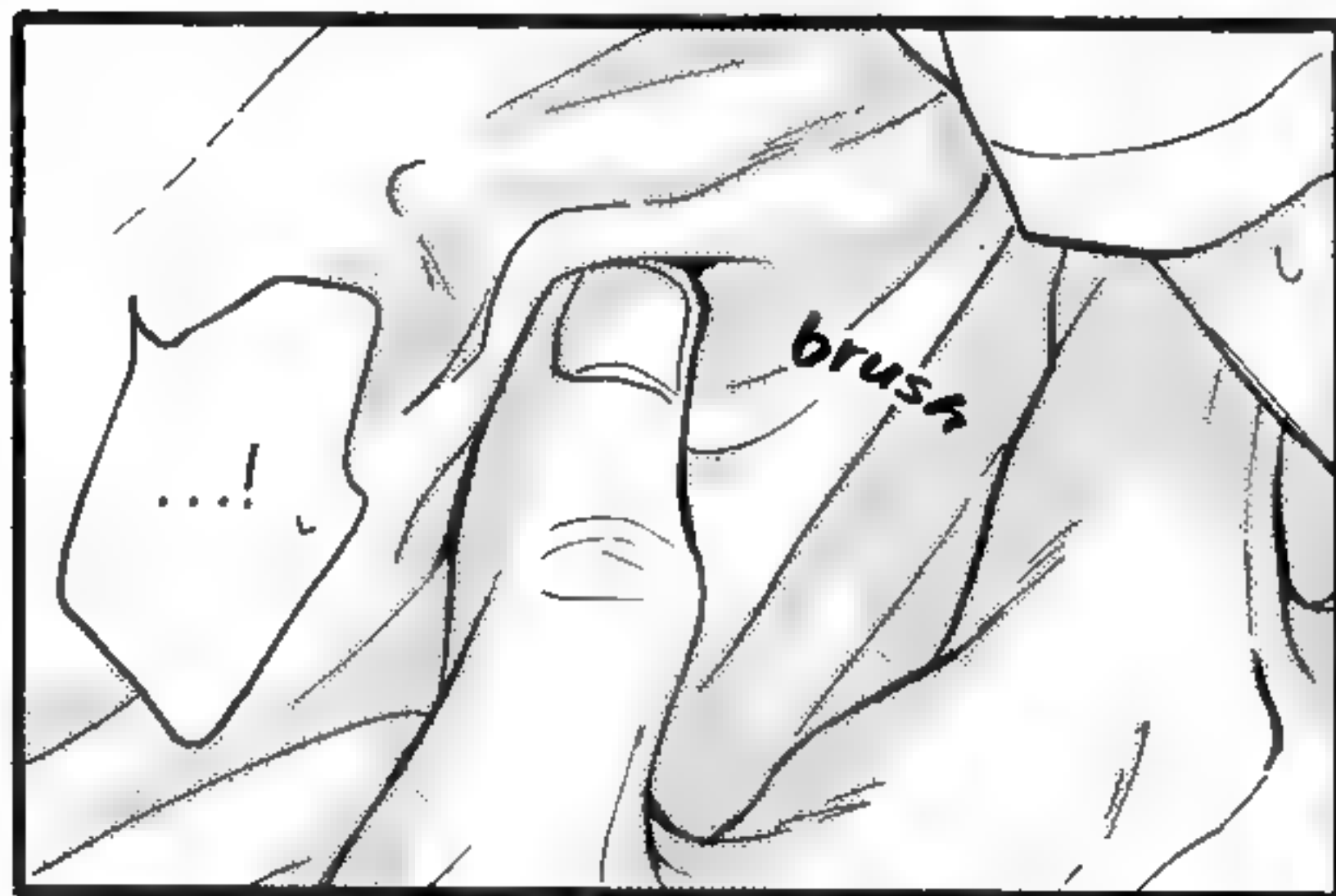
I AM TOO.













rubs

.. WHAT A LIAR ..

You are looking..

kiss

IT'S TRUE.

THE SIGHTS ARE ALL SO ENTICING THAT I WANT TO LOOK EVERYWHERE.

(Haa..)



hah

THIS IS TROUBLING

Nh..

I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO LOOK ..

SQUELCH

SQUELCH



Waa-

shudder

AND YOU'RE STILL... LOOKING...

Ah!

kiss

twitch

squelch

squelch



How is Takafumi-san feeling...?

glance



Here?

Yeah

This is my first time doing this... but it feels so good...

Fuu

Whu...

SQUELCH





Ngh



Ahh...



Nh...

Shlump



.....!

Fuh...

...uh...

SPURT

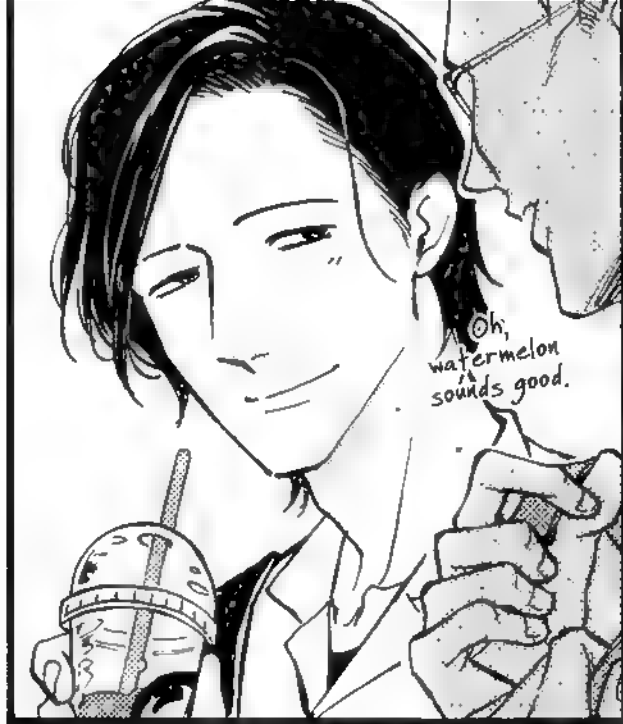




Koi ga Michitara

CHAPTER
TWO

By Aki Ueda







UWAH!

HOW
BEAUTIFUL!

THIS IS A
MAGNIFICENT
SIGHT.

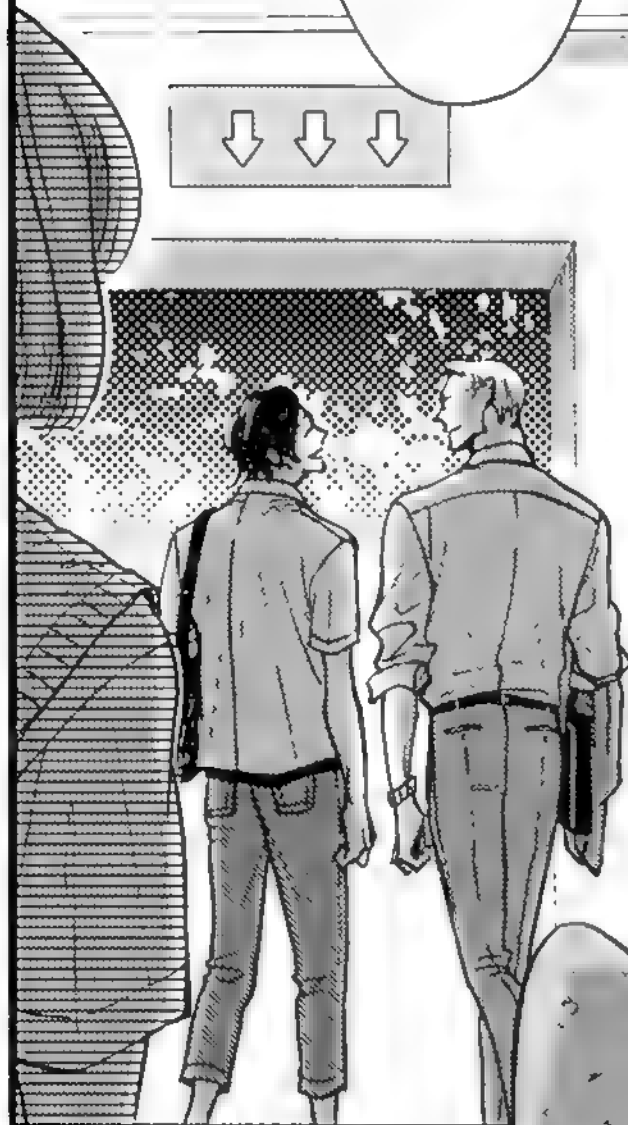
YEAH!

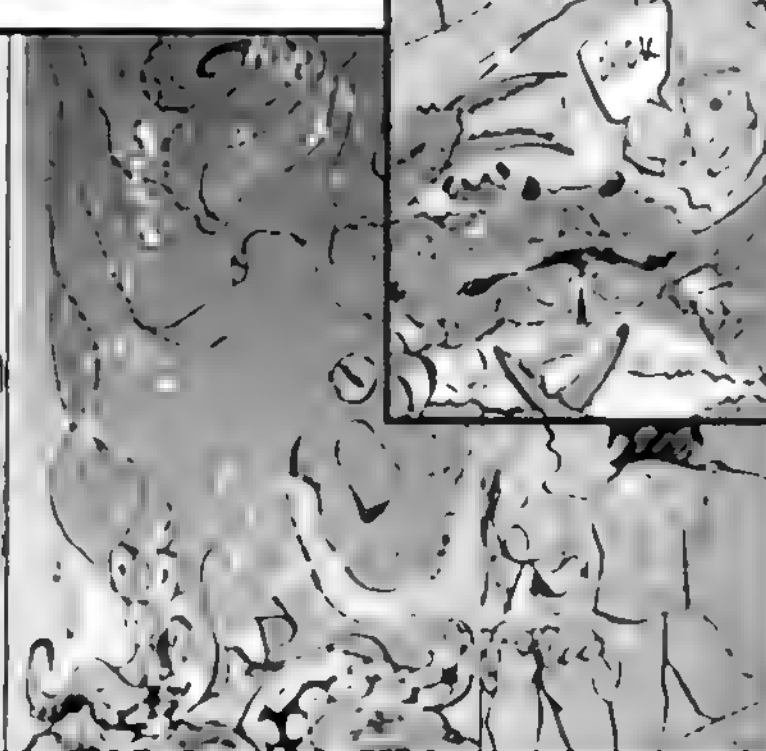
Ah,
that one's
swimming
backwards.

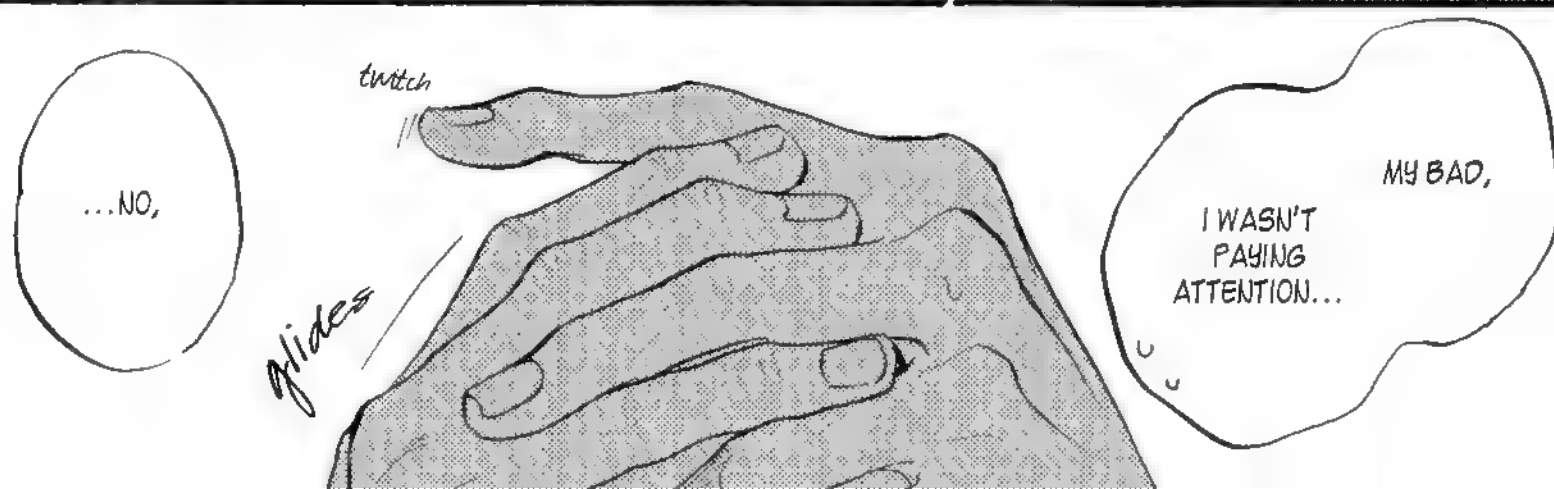
...Takafumi-san...

Despite how busy
he was, he put a lot
of thought into this.

I'D LIKE TO
GO HERE.









...IT DOES.



MOMENTS LIKE THIS
ARE QUITE NICE.



YOUR HEART RACES,
NO MATTER HOW OLD
YOU GET.



When leaving, please make sure...

The aquarium will be closing shortly.



Ah, I WOULD LIKE TO BUY SOMETHING FOR THE MANAGER AND SHIINA-SAN SINCE WE'RE HERE.

HOW ABOUT THIS BELUGA DAIFUKU?

I FEEL LIKE THEY'LL TEASE ME...

Saying we look similar...

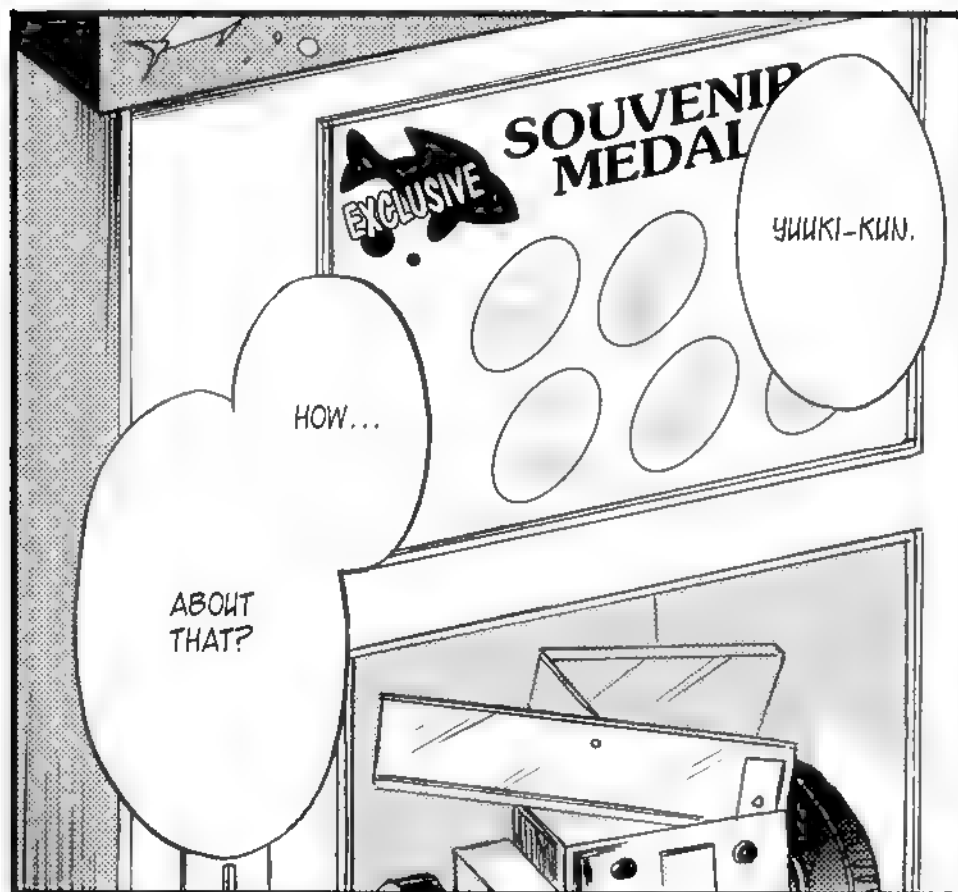


DO YOU WANT TO BUY SOME SOUVENIRS?

Yes, it was.

It was so fun...

I totally enjoyed this to the fullest...



HOW...

ABOUT THAT?

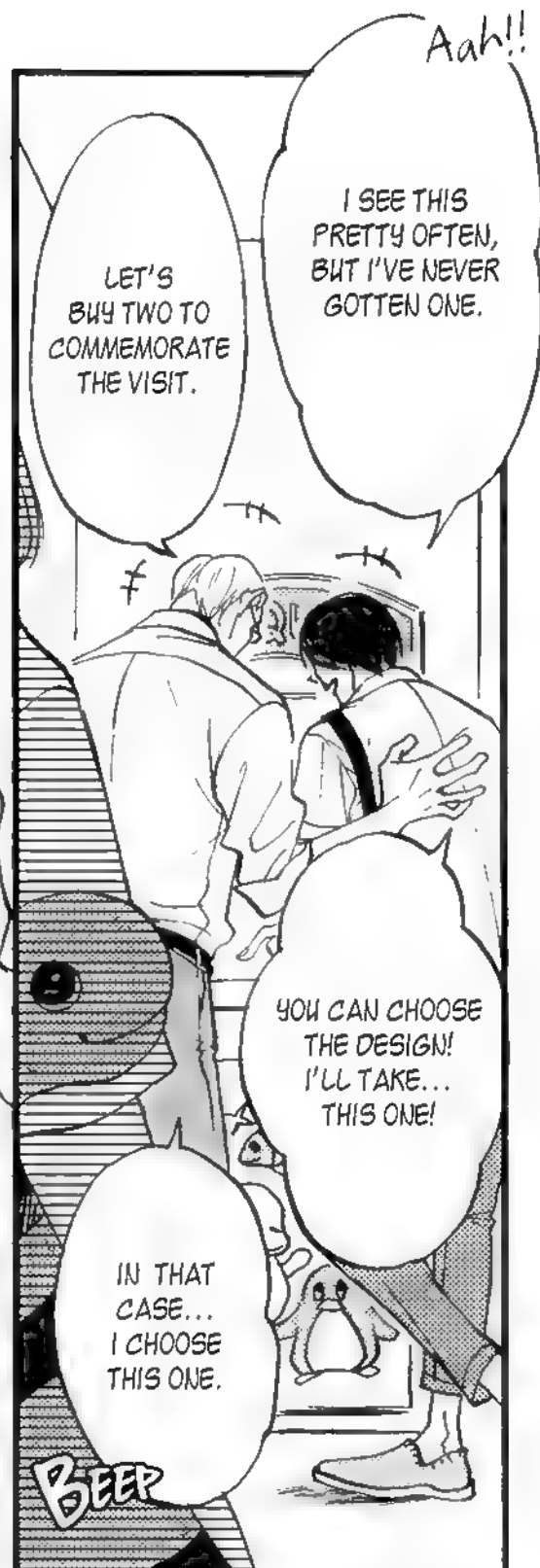
YUUKI-KUN.

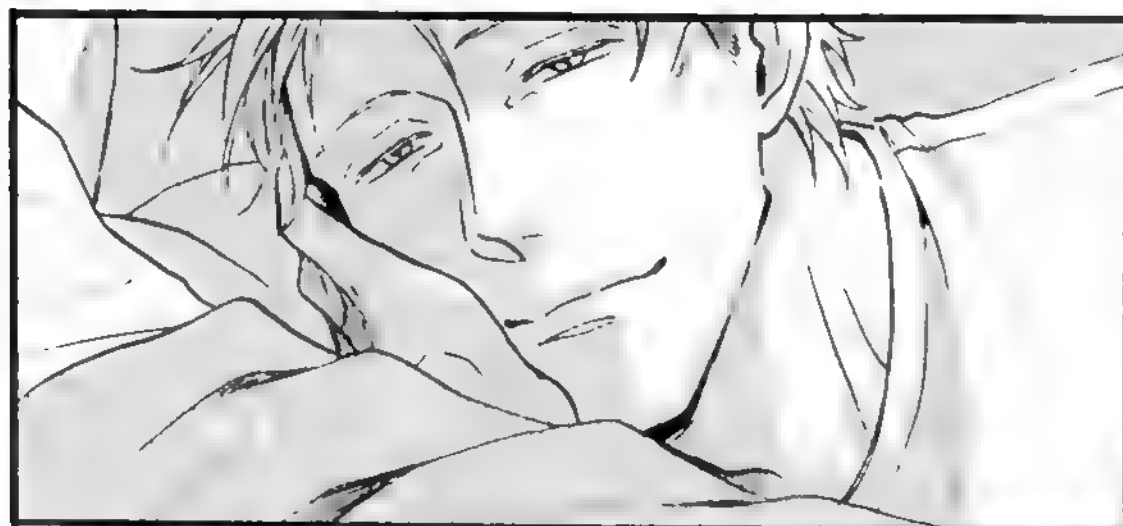
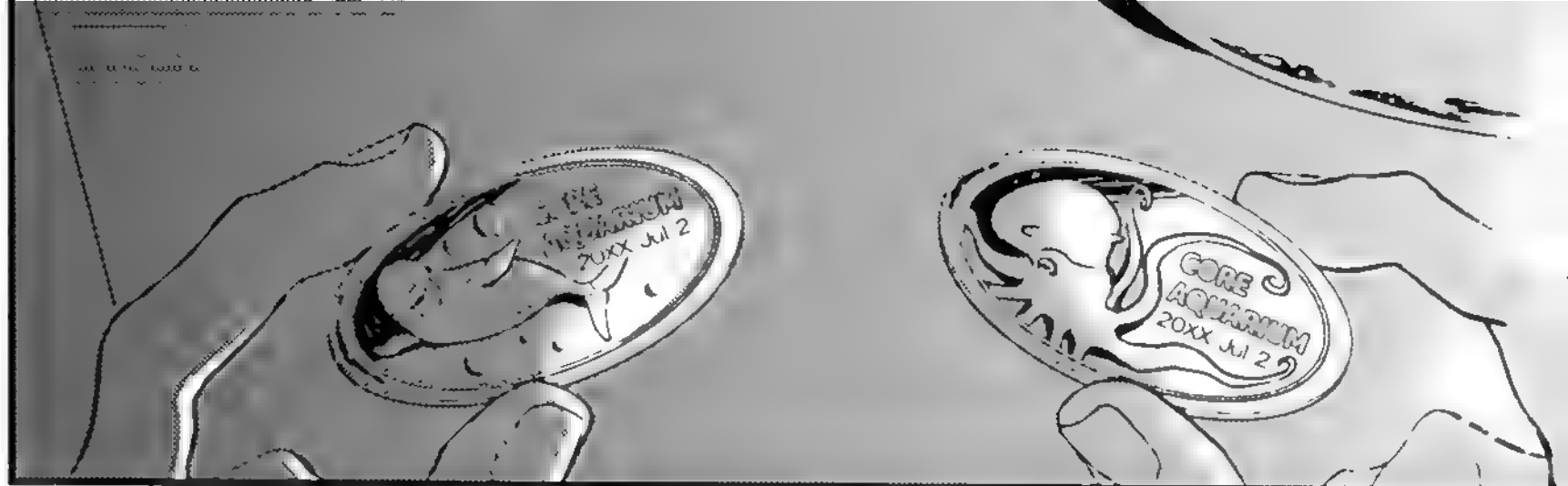


AS FOR OURS... A STUFFED ANIMAL WOULD TAKE UP SPACE...

Um

Slippery smooth







BUT I DID?
I STARTED
LIKING
BELUGAS
TODAY.

THIS
MEDAL
TOO...

YOU SHOULD
HAVE CHOSEN
AN ANIMAL
THAT YOU
LIKE.

*Rather than
because it
looks like
me...*



YOU SHOULD
HAVE BEEN
LOOKING AT
THE TANKS.

BUT
I COULDN'T
HELP BUT KEEP
LOOKING AT
YOU...

*I wanted
to enjoy
the sights
together!*

I'M
SORRY.



Hehe
THAT TOO,
BUT YOUR
EXPRESSION
AS WELL...

COVERS...

AND
ALSO...



YOU'RE
STARING
TOO MUCH!

Shit

Oh my



...YOU ARE
SIMILAR.



WHAT'S UP
WITH THAT...

Haha!

?



Stop

THAT
TICKLES!

T/N: The Japanese word for the Beluga whale literally translates to white dolphin, so that's why Takafumi is likening Ise to a dolphin.



IT SEEMS THAT
DOLPHINS HAVE
A HEALING
EFFECT...

AND
YOU HAVE THAT
SAME ABILITY
TO HEAL.

THAT'S
ANOTHER
SIMILARITY
YOU SHARE...



I DON'T THINK
WE'RE THAT
ALIKE...

Let me
slide down

CREAK



Ehh?

I DON'T HAVE
SOMETHING
SPECIAL...



LIKE THAT...

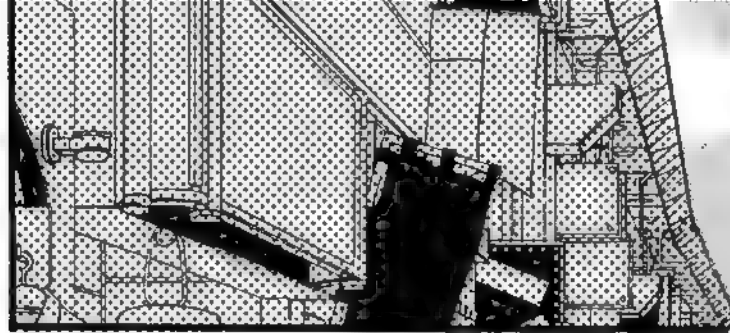












I wonder if it's okay to be this happy...



...After that,
I ended up not going back to sleep and did tons of laundry and cleaning while being on cloud nine.



And, most important of all...



I didn't expect to see him with such an expression on his face.



Takafumi-san
looked so delighted.





I would love to go on another date like that...

The next day off where we could go is...

CHECK



EH?!



...I was way too excited.

Guess I'll find some place to wait...



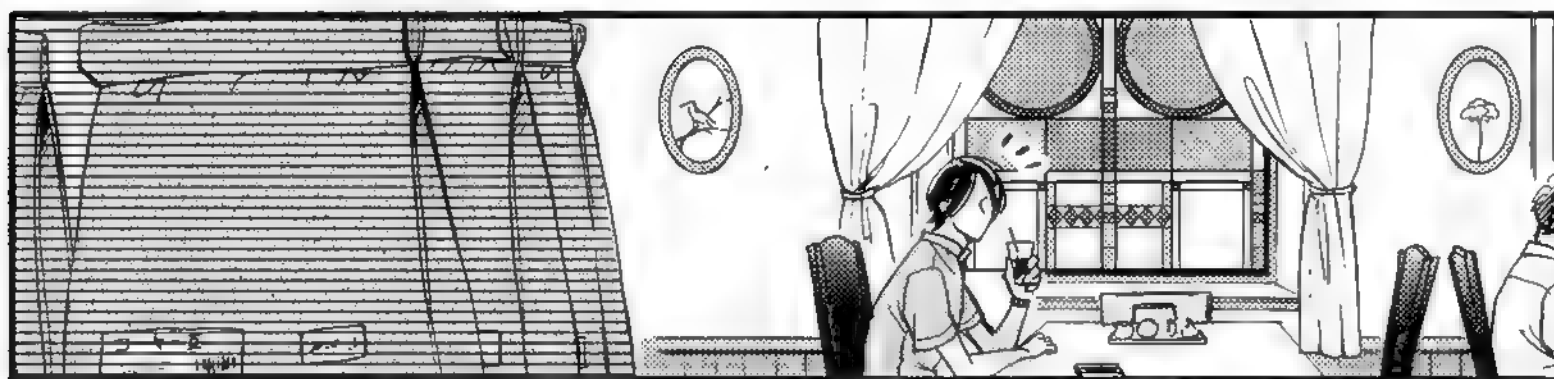
Today's shift starts at 7PM...

I'm an hour early...

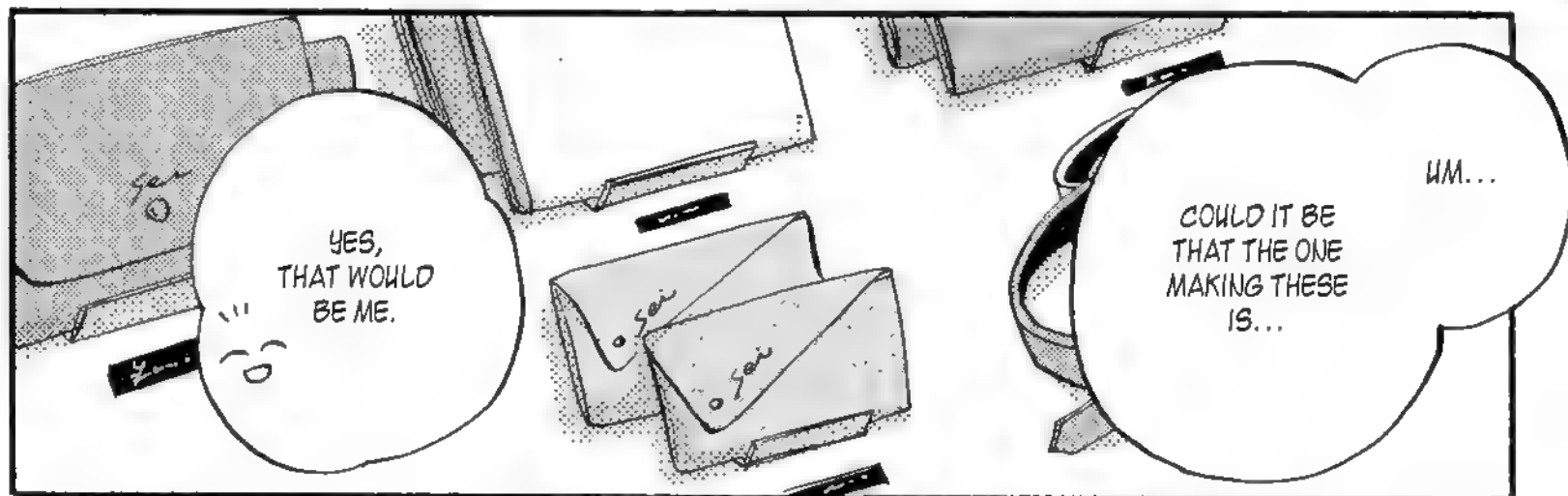
Shoot.



Ah!















CHIEF,
WELCOME
BACK.



CLACK

MY APOLOGIES
FOR BOTHERING
YOU IMMEDIATELY
UPON YOUR
RETURN...

CLACK



DID
SOMETHING
HAPPEN?

THE
INDIA BRANCH
HAS AN URGENT
MATTER THAT THEY
WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
AN ONLINE MEETING
ABOUT...

UNDERSTOOD.
THANK YOU.



CREAK

As things stand,
it seems like
I'll be staying
late for the
foreseeable
future...



I'm glad
I was able
to make
some time
yesterday...



VUMMAGE







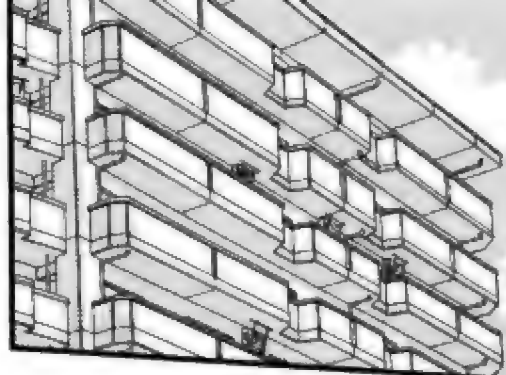
...I knew it,

I should try
to avoid getting
any busier than
this...

CHAPTER
THREE

Koi ga
Michitara

By Aki Ueda



TAKAFUMI-SAN~!



...IT'S
MORNING?

YES, IT IS!



IF YOU DON'T
WAKE UP SOON,
YOU'LL BE LATE
FOR WORK.



Ah!

I'LL MAKE
THE COFFEE
TODAY...

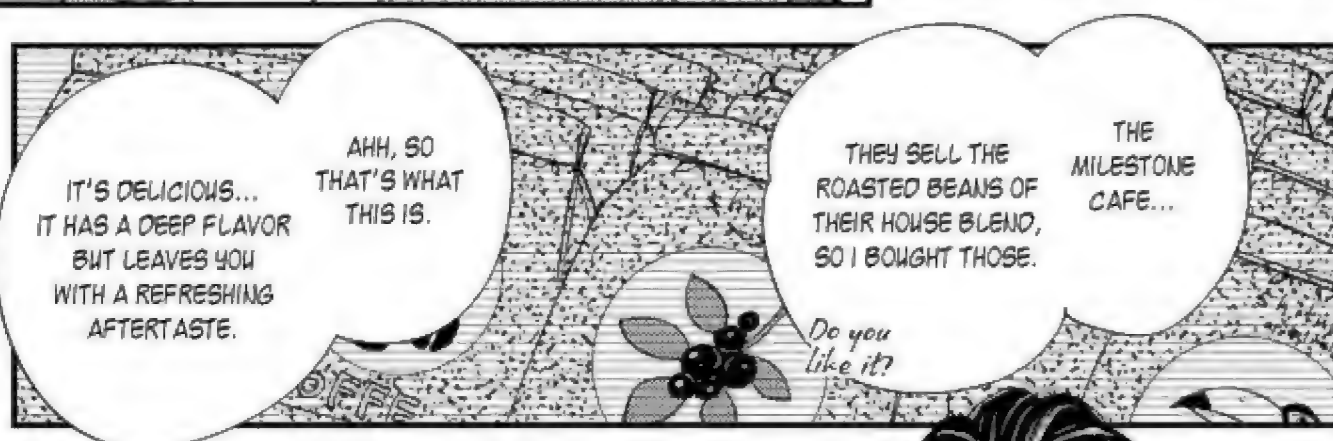
I'LL GO
MAKE SOME
COFFEE.



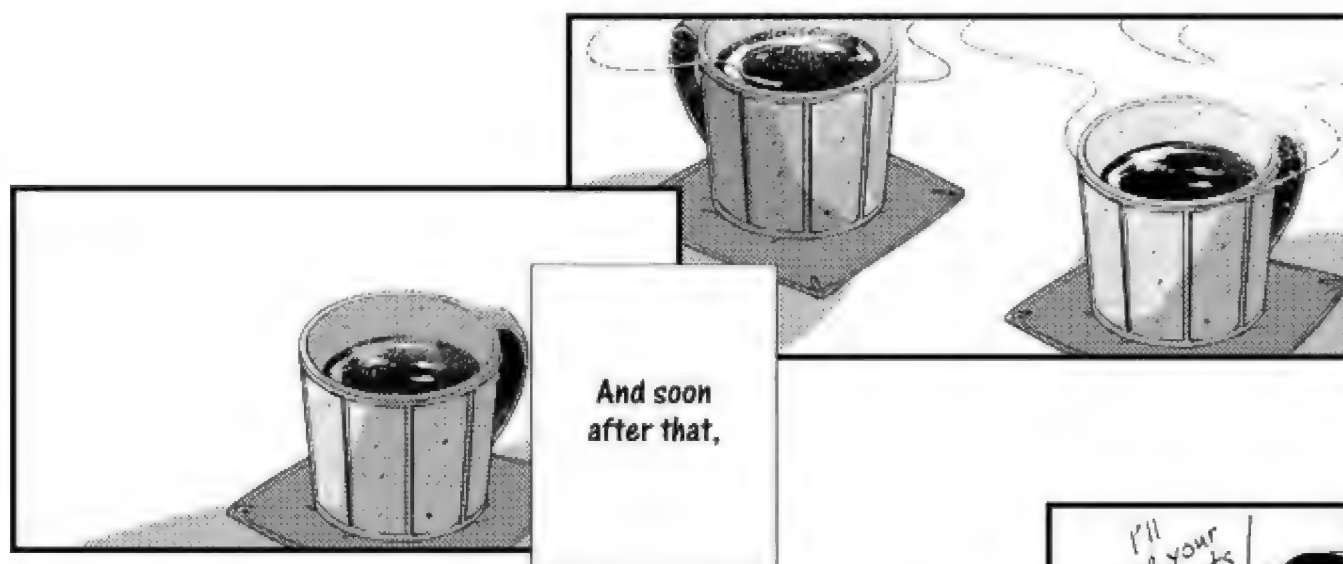
I'M
SORRY,

I DIDN'T EVEN
WELCOME YOU
HOME LAST
NIGHT...

DON'T WORRY
ABOUT SOMETHING
SO MINOR.









SHUT

...decreased
with every
passing day.



You still
haven't
finished
the
daifuku?

EVEN THOUGH
YOUR FACE WAS
LIKE THIS JUST
SEVERAL DAYS
AGO...

WHAT?
NO WAY...



YOU KNOW,

YOU'VE BEEN
LOOKING REALLY
GLUM LATELY,
ISE-CHAN...



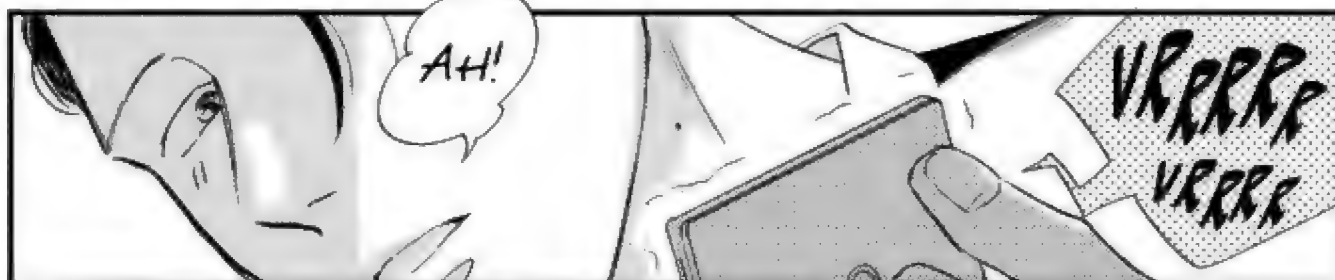
AH! THIS IS EXPIRED?!

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, ISHINO-SAN HASN'T STOPPED BY EITHER.

HE'S BEEN REALLY BUSY WITH WORK RECENTLY...

That's true.

HISHIMOTO-SAN...



AH!

VRRRRR
VRRRR



I SUPPOSE NOT.

DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THERE'S ANY REASON TO WORRY.

They really are making the same expression



HI, IT'S ME. DID YOU HAVE A GOOD DAY AT WORK?



EXCUSE ME,

THERE'S A CALL FROM HISHIMOTO-SAN.

Jang



I'M ON THE
WAY BACK
FROM A
MEETING,

AND
I THOUGHT
IT WOULD
BE ALL RIGHT
FOR ME TO
CALL YOU AT
THIS HOUR...







HISHIMOTO!



ISN'T IT THE SAME WITH YOURS?

YOU'RE JUST GETTING BACK NOW? YOUR DEPARTMENT SEEMS QUITE BUSY.

PRETTY MUCH.

Were you at the Nagoya branch?

WHEN THINGS SETTLE DOWN, LET'S GO FOR DRINKS.



HEY!

You're working late.

ISHINO.



EXACTLY...

Ah,
YOUR SCHEDULES DON'T MATCH UP AS IT IS...

BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SPEND MUCH TIME WITH HIM LATELY.



OH, HE'S DOING WELL.

I HAVEN'T SWUNG BY THE BILLIARDS BAR THESE PAST FEW DAYS.

BY THE WAY, HOW IS ISE-KUN?

CLUNK



BUT...

I'M NOT SURE
HOW ISE-KUN
FEELS ABOUT
THAT.

I WANT TO
BE WITH HIM
AS MUCH AS
I CAN,

SO I TRY
MY BEST TO
MAKE TIME
FOR US.



YOU...

SHOULDN'T
PUSH YOURSELF
TOO HARD.

...NO,

THAT'S
NOT WHAT
I MEANT...



There
you are!

CHIEF!



I KNOW.

ONCE THIS
PROJECT GETS
OFF THE GROUND,
THINGS AROUND
HERE WILL BE
CALMER.



I wish I had someone like you on my team.

OHH!
LOOK AT YOU,
BEING SO
DEVOTED AND
DILIGENT!

smirk

T-THAT'S
NOT...!

Please
stop that!



WELCOME
BACK.

I'M SORRY TO
BOTHER YOU
IMMEDIATELY UPON
YOUR RETURN, BUT
THE DIRECTOR WAS
LOOKING FOR
YOU...

IF YOU
REQUIRE ANY
DOCUMENTS,
I CAN PREPARE
THEM...

NO,
IT'S FINE.
THANK YOU
THOUGH.



EH?!

BATHING

THANK YOU
SO MUCH...!

PLEASE TAKE
THIS THEN.

YOU CAN COME
BACK AFTER
TAKING A SHORT
BREAK.

UCHIDA-SAN,
YOU OFTEN DRINK
YOUR COFFEE BLACK,
RIGHT?

How do
you know
that..?

YES.



I'M NOT
SLACKING
OFF!

SLACK OFF
NOW AND THEN,
LIKE ISHINO
HERE.



I'M NOT
SLACKING
OFF, YOU
HEAR ME??

OKAY...



I'M HOME.

CLACK

...I'M
EXHAUSTED.

I SHOULD
TAKE A BATH,

AND EAT
SOMETHING...

Today's menu is stir-fried liver
with chives and a daikon salad
If you had a good day at work!
Our nutritional drink is in
the fridge as usual.
Was really happy you called today!



(Hah...)

I wish...

we could have
talked for just
a little longer
on the phone...

DROWZY...



I WOKE YOU...
SORRY.



WELCOME HOME.

IF YOU'RE UP,
YOU SHOULD
GO SLEEP IN
BED SINCE YOU
STILL HAVE
SOME TIME...



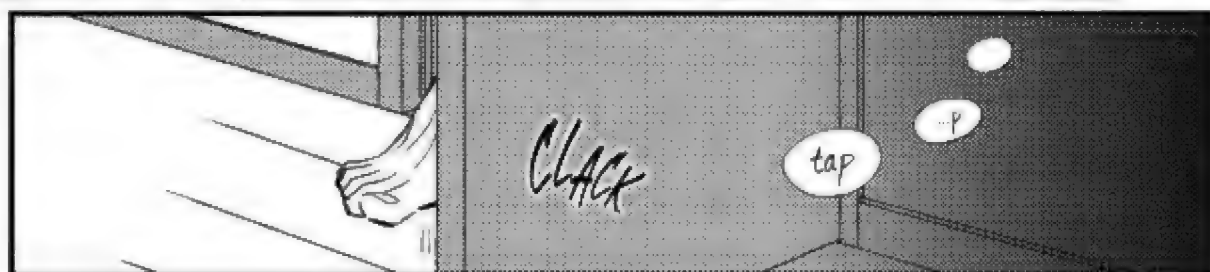
BACK...

Morning!
IT'S JUST
PAST DAWN.



Clutch







He was so tired
that he fell asleep
in his suit.

Takafumi-san
didn't even
eat...



flop



runs by



carries

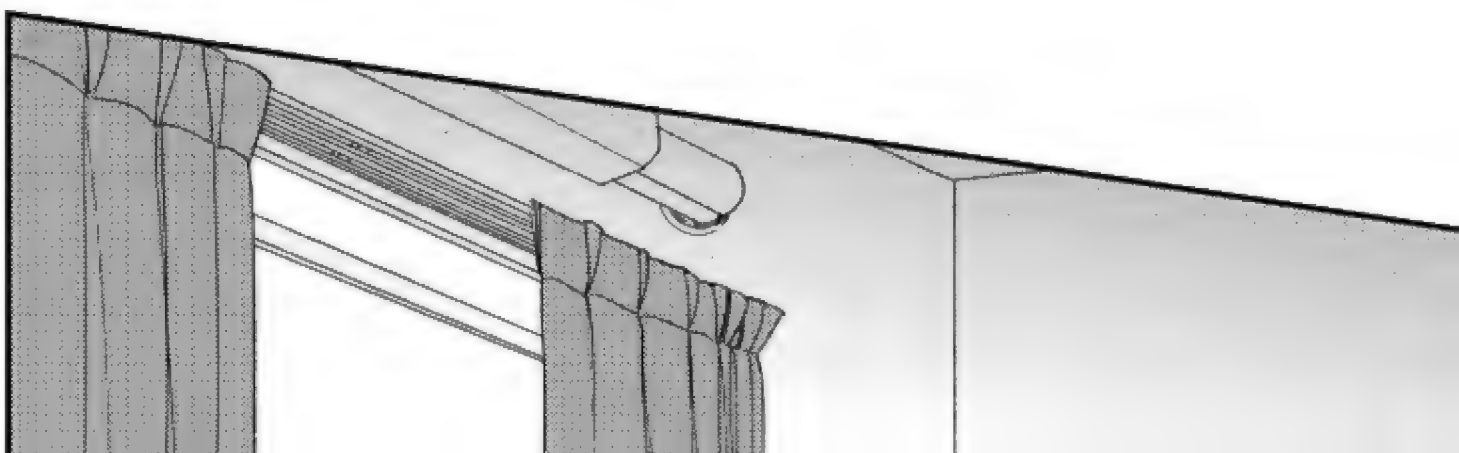
Doing this
should be
okay...

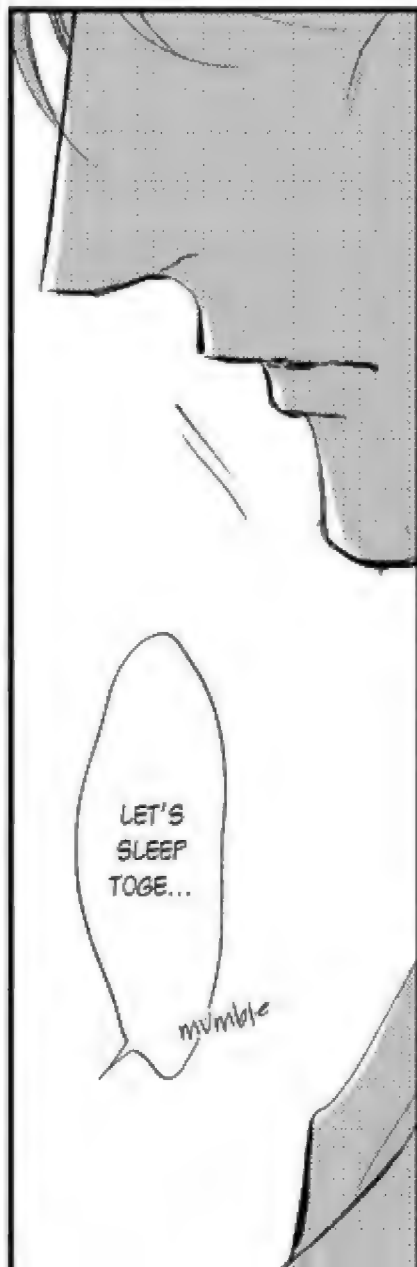
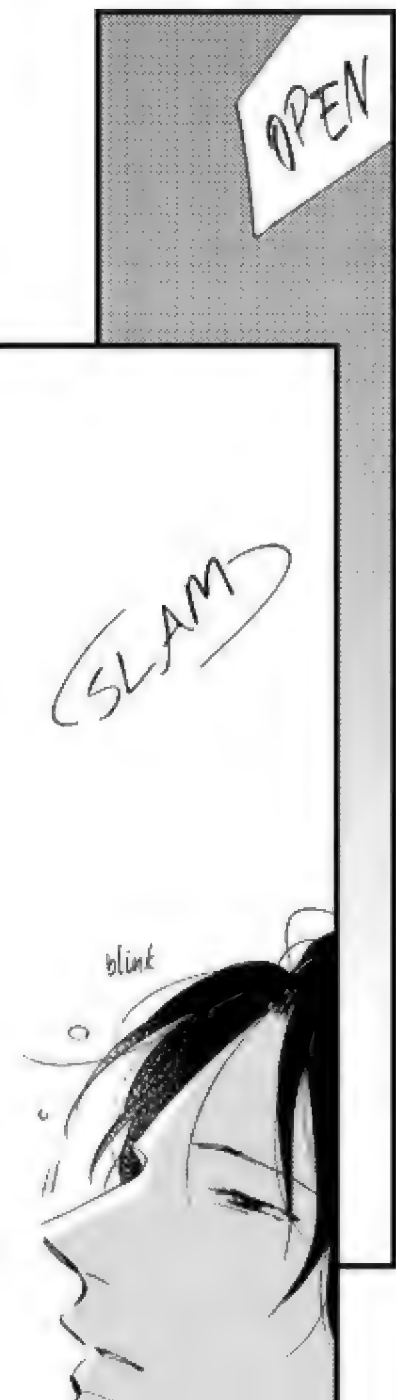
Up we
go...



...In spite of that,

the fact that he still
desired me made
me happy...







Takafumi-san
must have
left...



Please sleep on the bed after you wake up.

Please sleep on the bed after you wake up.
I'm sorry about this morning.

I'm being a
burden to
him...

I wonder
if...



ISE-SAN.



ARE
YOU HERE
RESTOCKING
ITEMS?

NO,
I'M JUST
HERE TO PASS
SOME TIME
TODAY.

SURE,
HAVE A
SEAT.

WOULD IT BE
ALL RIGHT IF
I JOIN YOU?



...BY THE
WAY,



GOOD EVENING!
I HAVEN'T SEEN
YOU HERE IN
A WHILE.

bows

Ah!
IT HAS BEEN
A WHILE!
GOOD EVENING!





DOESN'T THAT
MAKE YOU FEEL
LONELY?



I'm practically
admitting that
Takafumi-san is
my partner...

BUT...

Shoot...



.....!



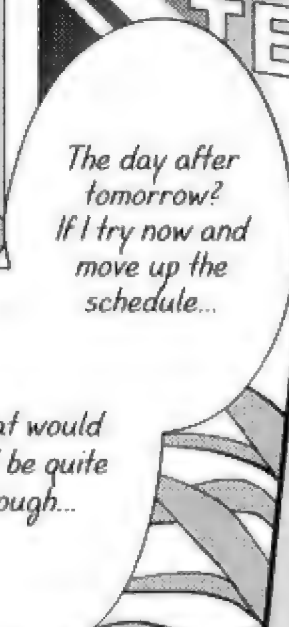
...OH,
HAHA...
THANKS.

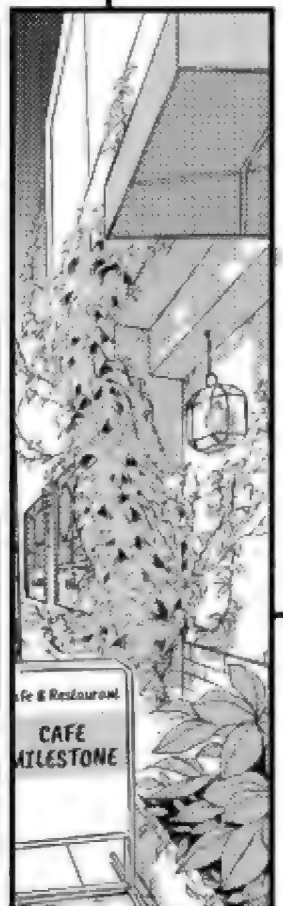


I'LL KEEP YOU
COMPANY IF YOU
DON'T MIND?

Huh?











IS
THAT...
SO...



HE'S CALM
AND COMPOSED,
AND EASY TO
TALK TO.

I THINK
HE MAY BE
SLIGHTLY OLDER
THAN ME,
AND KIND OF
RESEMBLES YOU,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.



YOU KNOW,
SHIRAKAWA-SAN...

Thank
you.



OH, I'M
SORRY...

YOU MUST BE
SO TIRED.

NO,
THAT'S NOT
THE REASON.



LET'S GO HOME
ONCE WE'RE DONE
WITH OUR DRINKS.



YUUKI-KUN,



I JUST WANT TO
BE ALONE WITH YOU
AS QUICKLY AS
POSSIBLE.



GOES FOR
ME...

THE SAME...



YES,
I DO.

I can't
wait.

TAKAFUMI-SAN,
YOU LIKE IT,
DON'T YOU?

I MADE
FRIED GINGER
PORK.

I just
have to
fry it.

Let's.

WHAT'S ON
THE MENU FOR
TONIGHT?

I'VE ALREADY
PREPARED DINNER,
SO LET'S RELAX
AFTER WE EAT.



I THINK I'M
STARTING TO
UNDERSTAND
WHAT DISHES FIT
YOUR PALATE,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.

Hebe



THE GINGER
PORK TODAY WAS
DELICIOUS. I'D
LOVE TO HAVE
IT AGAIN.

REALLY?

clatter



COULD YOU
ALSO BRING OVER
ANOTHER BOTTLE OF
DISH DETERGENT?
THIS ONE LOOKS LIKE
IT'S ABOUT TO RUN
OUT...

SORRY,
TAKAFUMI-SAN

YES,
OF COURSE.

fssh



...FROM THAT
CAFE?

YES.

THERE ARE
THESE BEANS THAT
SHIRAKAWA-SAN
RECOMMENDED...



I'LL GO MAKE
THE AFTER-MEAL
COFFEE.

Thanks!



OH NO,

WE'RE ALMOST
OUT OF COFFEE
BEANS.

RUSTLE

I'LL BUY SOME
IF THAT'S THE
CASE.

offee









Y-YES,
I WAS...



SHUDDER Fwah



THEN I SHOULD
DO MY BEST TO
RESPOND TO YOUR
EXPECTATIONS,
SHOULDN'T I?



EH...?
WHAT ARE YOU
GOING TO
DO...?

TAKE A
GUESS.









BESIDES,

I DON'T WANT YOU
TO FEEL INCLINED
TO DO THAT SORT
OF THING.



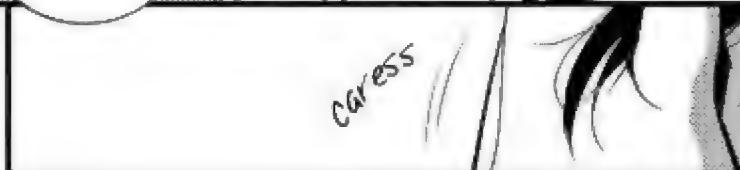
THANK YOU,
BUT IT'S
FINE.

IT HAS
CALMED DOWN
ANYWAY...



...WOULD YOU
LIKE TO TAKE A
SHOWER FIRST?

BUT...



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...I'LL TAKE
ONE LATER.



...SHUTS



OKAY.

I'LL GO
FIRST THEN.

KISS







GO TO THE
AQUARIUM AGAIN
TONIGHT?

WOULD YOU
LIKE TO

YOU'RE OFF
FROM WORK TODAY,
RIGHT?

This
feels
awk-
ward.



BUT
TAKAFUMI-SAN,
YOU'RE SO
EXHAUSTED...

I'D LOVE TO,



THAT'S WHY
YOU SHOULD LET
ME BE WITH YOU.

BUMP

Koi ga Michitara

CHAPTER
FOUR

By Aki Ueda

Takafumi-san...

He's pushing
himself too hard
out of concern
for me...

GREAT.

I'LL MESSAGE
YOU LATER.

THEN...
I'LL BE WAITING
AT THE SAME SPOT
AS LAST TIME.

Even though we love each other...

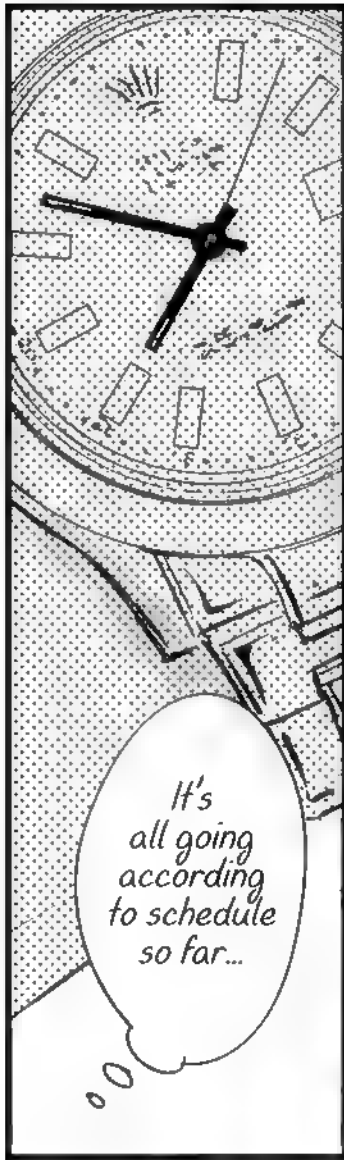
Because we love each other...

Our feelings are not on the same page.

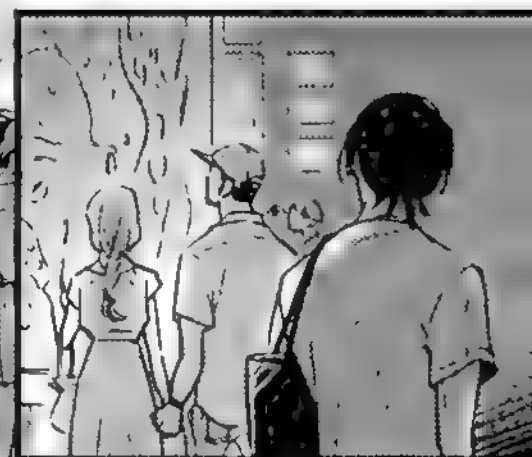
OKAY?

Kiss

...









ACTUALLY,
I'M HERE BY
MYSELF AS
WELL.

...I'M SORRY
TO HEAR THAT.

I WAS SUPPOSED
TO MEET SOMEONE,
BUT THEY WEREN'T
ABLE TO MAKE IT
ANYMORE...

YES, I AM.

Ah,

ISE-SAN,
YOU'RE HERE BY
YOURSELF?



...WHAT?

...IT'S
DEPRESSING
BEING BY
MYSELF,

ESPECIALLY
WHEN IT'S
MOSTLY COUPLES
HERE AT NIGHT.

Haha...



...IF IT'S
ALRIGHT
WITH YOU,
WOULD YOU
LIKE TO LOOK
AROUND THE
AQUARIUM
TOGETHER?



THEN
LET'S EXPLORE
THE AQUARIUM
TOGETHER.

...THAT'S
TRUE.



YOU'RE
ATTRACTIVE,
SO I THOUGHT
YOU WOULD
COME HERE
ON DATES ALL
THE TIME...

WHY?

THAT'S
UNEXPECTED.

Really?



IT'S MY
FIRST TIME
COMING.

WHAT
ABOUT YOU?

NO, MY
FIRST TIME
HERE WAS JUST
THE OTHER
DAY...

DO YOU COME
HERE OFTEN?



...HUH?

MY FIRST
PARTNER FOR
AN AQUARIUM
DATE.



IN THAT
CASE,

YOU'RE MY
FIRST,
ISE-SAN.



Ah,
THE WHITE
BELUGA!

How
cute!

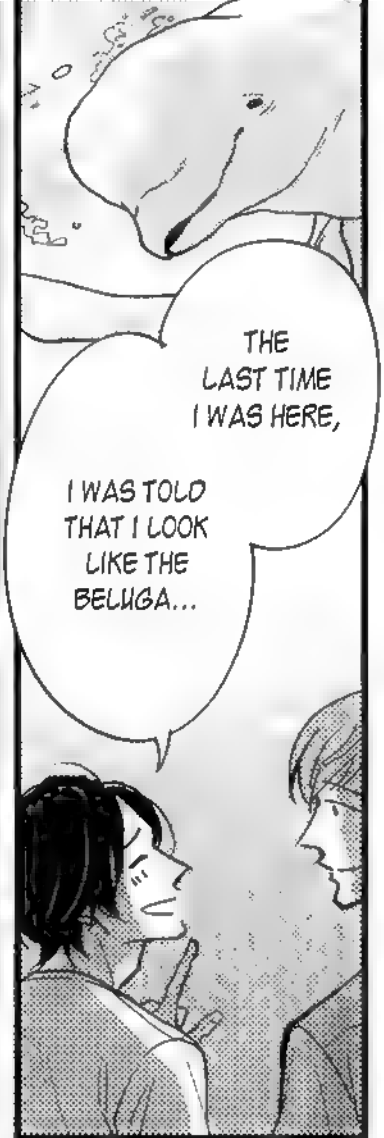


Ah, that's
what you
meant!

I'M
HONORED.

Haha







I remember
Takafumi-san
did the exact
same thing to
me before...

THANK
YOU-

...NH.



...Huh?

ARE YOU
OKAY?

This feels
like...

He's so
close...!

VBRR
VBRR



That saved
me from an
uncomfortable
situation...



OH YES,
GO AHEAD.

...PLEASE
EXCUSE ME
FOR A
MOMENT.







...BUT,
IN THE END,
WE DIDN'T GET
TO SEE VERY
MUCH AS HE...

...AND WHEN
I TOLD HIM ABOUT
HOW YOU COMPARED
ME TO THE WHITE
BELUGA, HE
LAUGHED...

SHIRAKAWA-SAN
SAID IT WAS HIS
FIRST TIME
VISITING THE
AQUARIUM.



I ALREADY
PREPARED
THE BATH...
DID YOU WANT
TO TAKE ONE
FIRST?

I CAN ALSO
GET DINNER
READY QUICKLY
IF YOU'D PREFER
TO EAT...

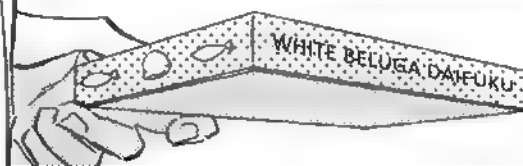
TAKAFUMI-SAN?



twitch

SO DON'T WORRY
ABOUT CANCELLING,
SINCE I HAD FUN
ANYWAY.

AND
PLEASE DON'T
PUSH YOURSELF
TOO HARD,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.





EH...?



...I CAN'T
KEEP THE
PROMISES THAT
I MAKE, AND I'M
CAUSING MORE
WORK FOR YOU.

AT THIS RATE,
I'M GOING TO
BE A FAILURE
WHO CAN'T DO
ANYTHING...



"STUFF LIKE THAT,"
YOU SAY...

BUT THEY
INVOLVE YOU,
SO OF COURSE
IT WOULD BE ON
MY MIND.



BUT IT'S
BECAUSE
YOU'RE BUSY
WITH WORK...

DON'T LET
STUFF LIKE THAT
BOTHER YOU.







...EVEN
THOUGH THAT'S
NOT THE CASE
AT ALL.



ALSO...

THE ONE
PUTTING UP A
FACADE AND
PRETENDING
EVERYTHING IS
FINE...

THAT'S YOU,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.



...YUUKI-KUN.



...BEEN
ABLE TO DO
ANYTHING
FOR YOU?

HAVE I...



I MEAN,
I'M HAPPY THAT
YOU SHOWER ME
WITH AFFECTION.

I'M
ECSTATIC,
BUT...

BUT
LATELY,

ALL YOU DO IS
APOLOGIZE AND
FUSS OVER ME,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.

AS AM I...

...RIGHT
NOW,

I'M BEYOND
HAPPY WITH
MY LIFE.



I ALSO WANT
YOU TO LET ME
SHOWER YOU WITH
LOVE AND TENDER
CARE.

TAKAFUMI-SAN,
I SAID THIS
BEFORE,
DIDN'T ?

THAT
YOU DON'T
HAVE TO TRY
SO HARD.

JUST THE
OTHER DAY,
YOU SAID THAT
I HAD A HEALING
EFFECT ON YOU.

IF THAT'S TRUE,
THEN YOU SHOULD
RELY ON ME
MORE OFTEN!

IF YOU'RE
STRUGGLING,
SAY THAT YOU
ARE!



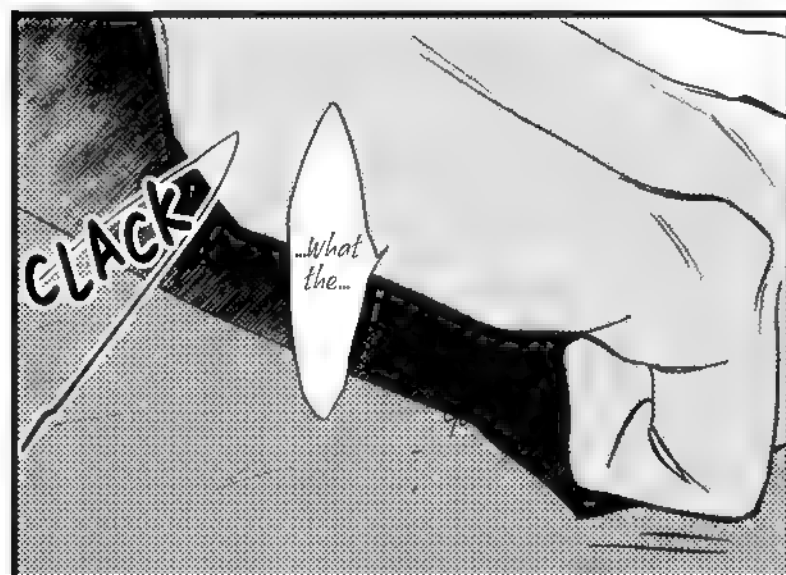
IF NOT, THEN
WHAT AM I
TO YOU...?

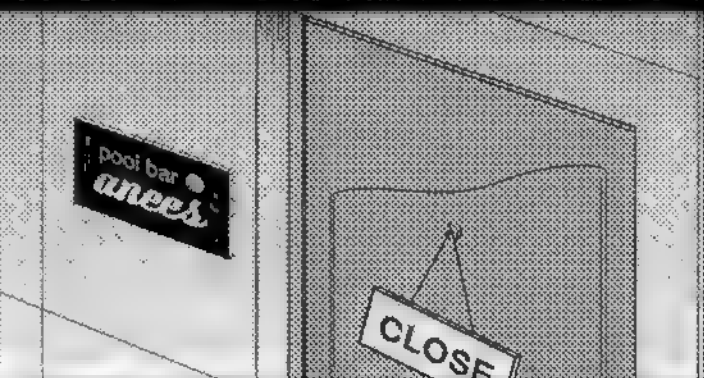
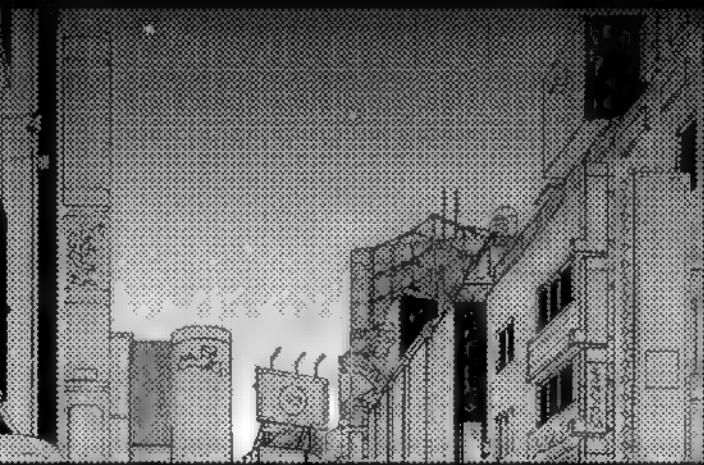


YOU'RE...
RIGHT.

HOWEVER...







Hope things are going well at the
Just wanted to let you know that I'm sw
with work so I don't think I'll be home
Don't worry if you don't see me when

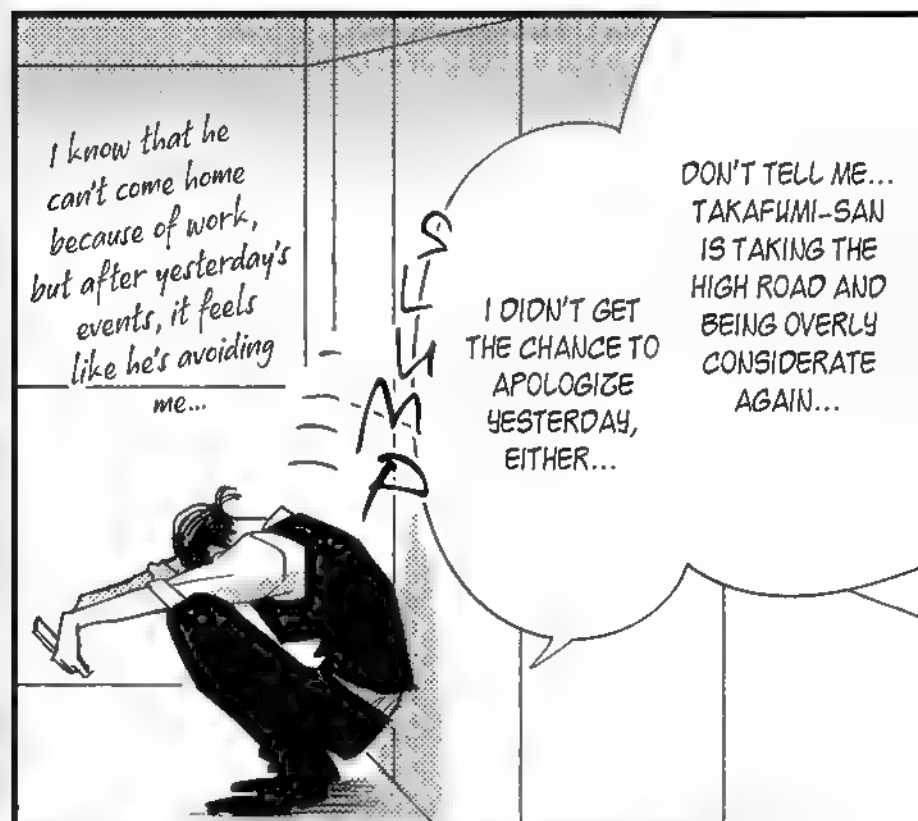
SHUT

...IN THE END,
THAT MEANS
I'M THE ONE
MAKING YOU
SUFFER...





YOU'VE JUST BEEN
TOLERATING MY
BEHAVIOR THIS
ENTIRE TIME,
HAVEN'T YOU?



I know that he
can't come home
because of work,
but after yesterday's
events, it feels
like he's avoiding
me...

I DIDN'T GET
THE CHANCE TO
APOLOGIZE
YESTERDAY,
EITHER...

DON'T TELL ME...
TAKAFUMI-SAN
IS TAKING THE
HIGH ROAD AND
BEING OVERLY
CONSIDERATE
AGAIN...




sting



I didn't
want him to
push himself
too hard just
for my sake,

but
it's not like
I was giving up
on anything.



WHAT SHOULD
I HAVE DONE
THEN...?

SO
I ENDED UP
SELFISHLY
PRESSURING
TAKAFUMI-SAN
WITH WHAT I
WANTED,

AND
TRAMPLING ALL
OVER HIS FEELINGS
LIKE THEY DIDN'T
MATTER...




IT'S HARD
TO PUT MY
WORDS
I WANT
CONVI

THAT MEANS
I HAVEN'T CHANGED
ONE BIT SINCE WE
FIRST MET...

...WAIT.

THAT'S
NOT THE
CASE
FOR ME




Takafumi-san
has always been
straightforward
in conveying his
emotions to me,

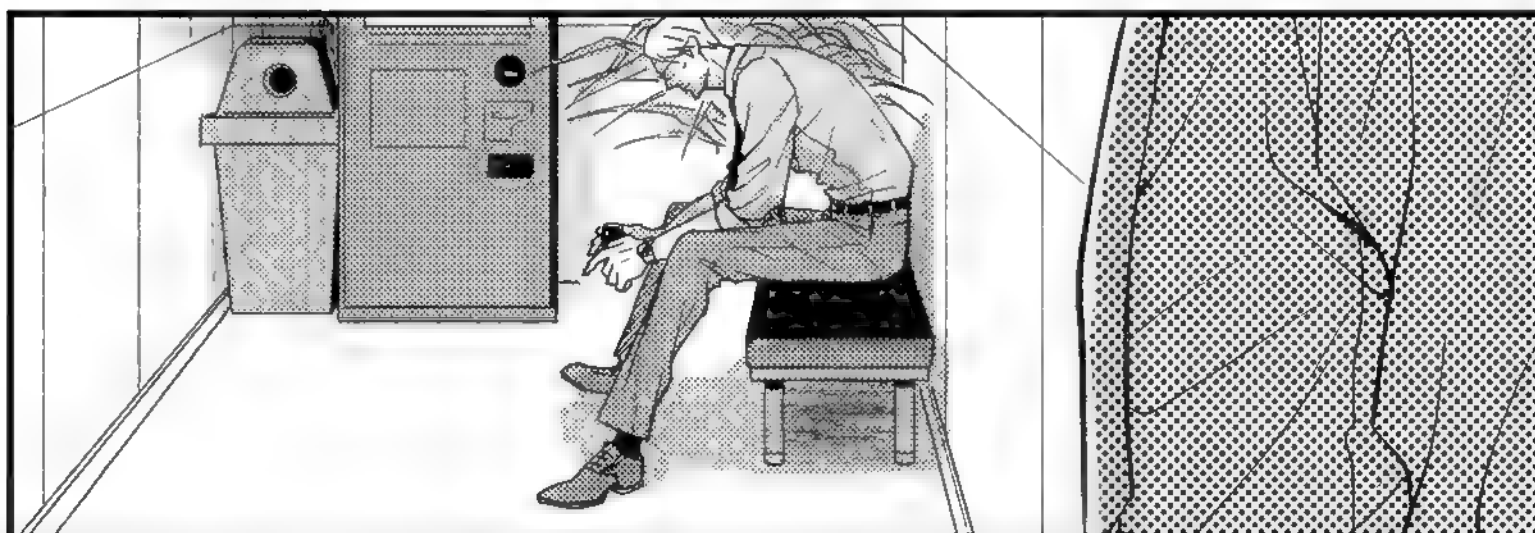
yet I never
even verbalized
what I was
feeling...

I'M SUCH
AN IDIOT!

GASP



I'm the one
who hasn't
been able to do
anything for
Takafumi-san...!



IF YOU'RE
STRUGGLING,
SAY THAT YOU
ARE!

IF NOT, THEN
WHAT AM I
TO YOU...?



IF THAT'S TRUE,
THEN YOU SHOULD
RELY ON ME
MORE OFTEN!



It's the first time...

No matter how busy we've been with work,

it has never devolved into what happened last night...

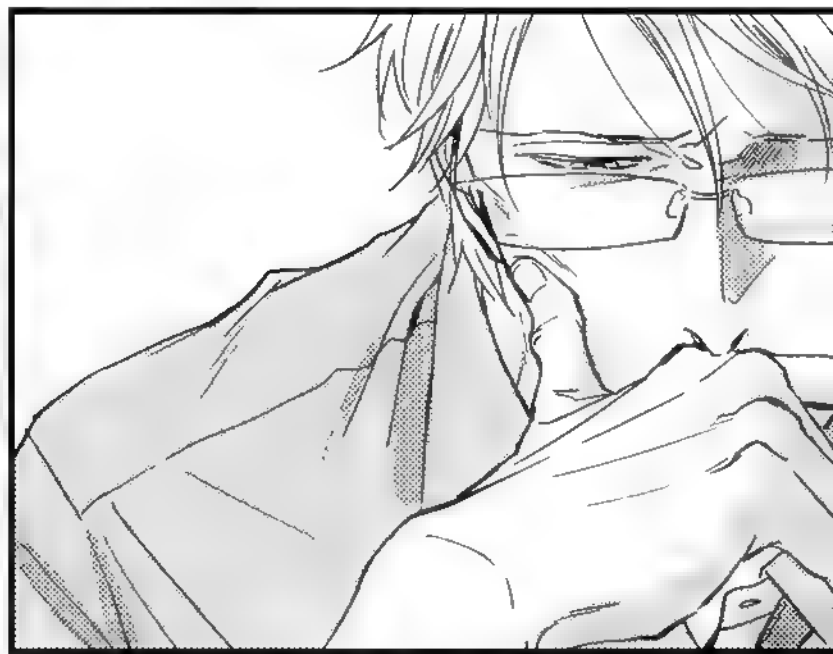
I've ever argued like that with a lover.



Yuuki-kun must have kept so much locked away to explode like that...

To top it off,

I responded and hurt him with such childish words.





UM...

YOU DON'T
LOOK SO WELL.
ARE YOU FEELING
ALRIGHT?



Oh,
hello.

SO HAVE YOU.
THANK YOU FOR
WORKING THIS
LATE.

YOU'VE HAD
A VERY LONG
DAY.



...CHIEF.

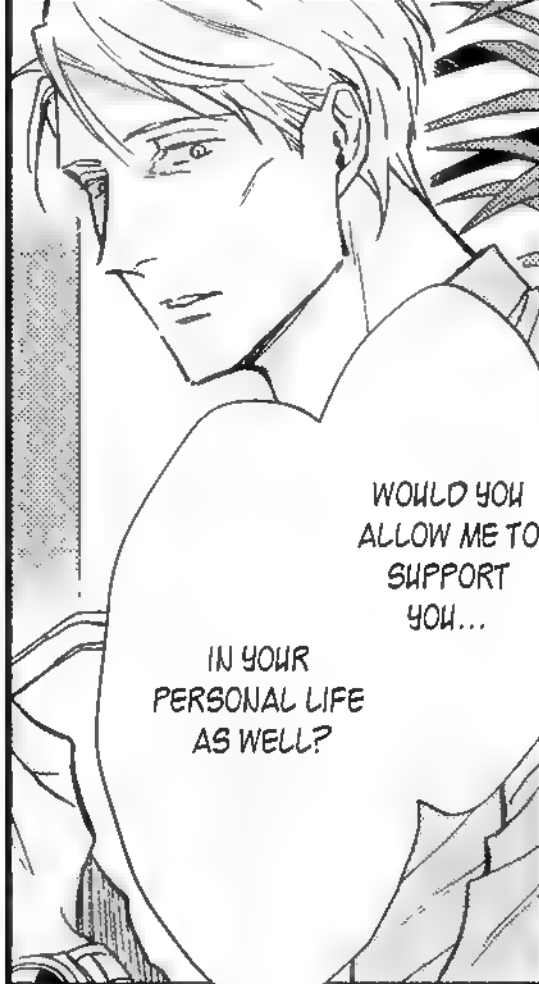


THIS
MAY BE
FORWARD
OF ME...

Fwack!

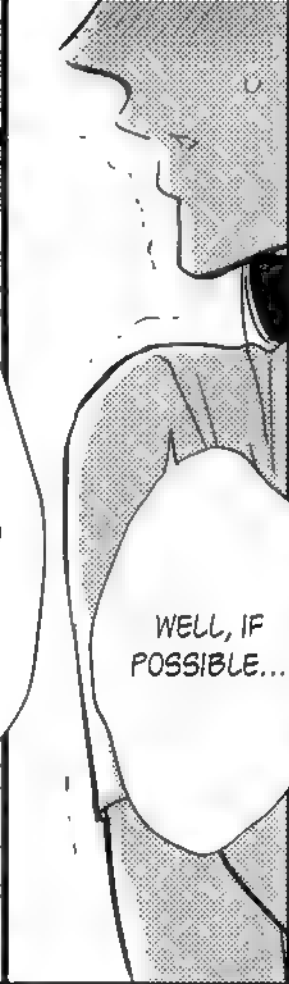
I'M A LITTLE
TIRED FROM LACK
OF SLEEP...

BUT I'M FINE.
THANK YOU FOR
YOUR CONCERN
THOUGH.



WOULD YOU
ALLOW ME TO
SUPPORT
YOU...

IN YOUR
PERSONAL LIFE
AS WELL?



WELL, IF
POSSIBLE...



EVEN
BEFORE YOU
GOT DIVORCED
FROM YOUR
WIFE.

BUT
I'VE BEEN
WATCHING YOU
FOR A LONG
TIME...



IF IT WERE
ME, I WOULD
NEVER...



...UNLIKE
BEFORE,

YOU'VE
BEEN LOOKING
DISTRESSED
RECENTLY.



...THANK
YOU.

flip
AH...
I MEAN...





...OH,
I SEE...



PLEASE...
FORGET
WHAT I SAID
JUST NOW.

I WILL
CONTINUE TO
RESPECT AND
ADMIRE YOU AS
MY SUPERIOR,
CHIEF...



BUT I HAVE
A PARTNER,

SOMEONE WITH WHOM
I HOPE TO LIVE WITH
AS A COUPLE,
SUPPORTING EACH
OTHER THROUGH
THICK AND THIN.



bows

...THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH.

HAVE
A GOOD
NIGHT...



...UCHIDA-SAN,
YOU ARE VERY
KIND.

I BELIEVE
THAT IS ONE OF
YOUR MOST
WONDERFUL
TRAITS.



Sorry,
I overheard
everything.

...ISHINO,
HOW LONG
HAVE YOU BEEN
STANDING
THERE?

FROM THE
MOMENT SHE
MUSTERED UP
THE COURAGE
TO CONFESS
TO YOU.



Oh,
come on!

HISHIMOTO!

HOW MANY
PEOPLE ARE
YOU GOING TO
MAKE CRY?



AND
I SUPPOSE IT
LEADS YOU TO
DRIVE YOURSELF
INTO A CORNER...

YOU REALLY
ARE JUST TOO
CONSIDERATE
AT THE ODDEST
TIMES,

THAT'S WHY
I SAID THE OTHER
DAY THAT YOU
SHOULDN'T
PUSH YOURSELF
TOO HARD.



I MEAN, THAT
COMPASSION
OF YOURS IS
ONE OF YOUR
STRENGTHS,

BUT IT'S NOT
EXACTLY THE
RIGHT THING
TO SAY IN
SITUATIONS
LIKE THIS,
YOU KNOW?

NEVER
MIND
THAT.

THAT WAS A
HORRIBLE WAY TO
TURN HER DOWN.
BEING CONSIDERATE
AT THE END MADE
IT EVEN WORSE.



REALLY!

YOU SHOULD
HAVE BEEN MORE
DIRECT WITH YOUR
REJECTION!
NOW I JUST FEEL
BAD FOR HER!

You're a
cruel man.

...REALLY?





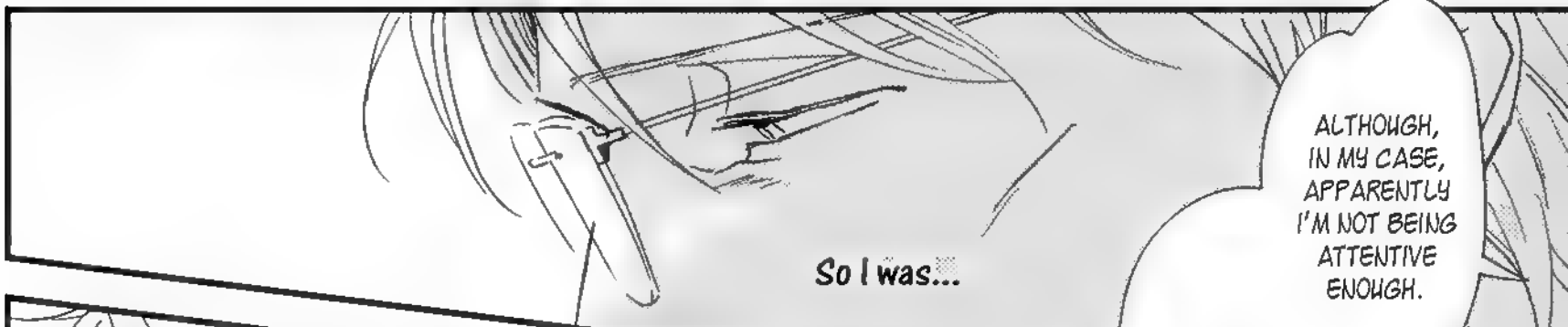
LET HIM TAKE
THE LEAD AND
SHOW OFF HIS
MANLY SIDE
SOMETIMES.

IT MAY SEEM
TO ISE-KUN THAT
YOU'RE NOT OPENING
YOURSELF UP
TO HIM.

BUT
IF YOU'RE
ALWAYS BEING
CONSIDERATE,

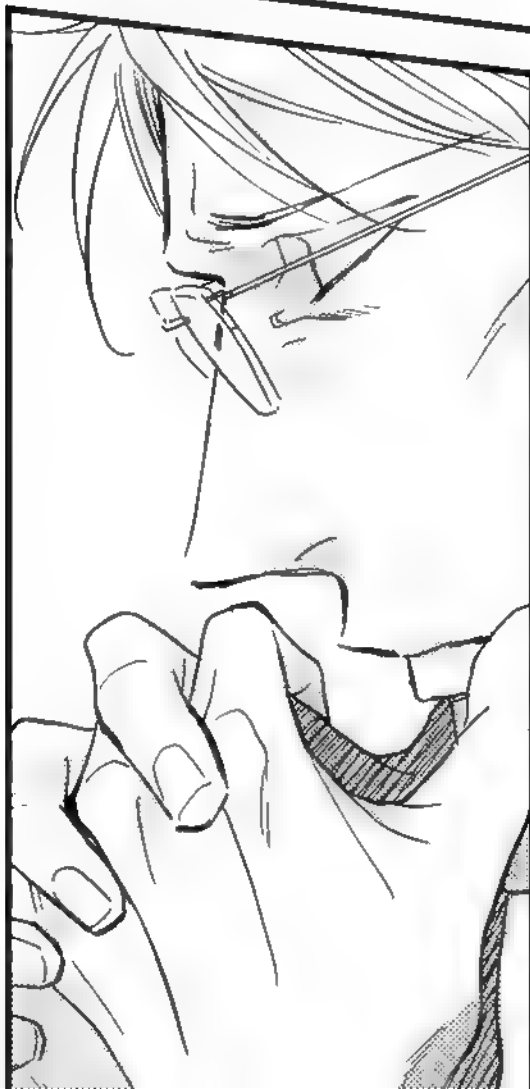


I'M NOT
IMPLYING THAT
EVERYTHING
YOU DID WAS
WRONG.



So I was...

ALTHOUGH,
IN MY CASE,
APPARENTLY
I'M NOT BEING
ATTENTIVE
ENOUGH.



and not even
realizing that
it was hurting
Yuuki-kun.



MY WIFE
OFTEN SAYS
THAT LIFE JUST
FEELS SO DULL
NOWADAYS...

As she
cleans up
the house.

unwittingly
putting up
a facade,



Part of the blame

for the dry, impersonal
relationships of my past

lies with me.



Even though
I made that
declaration
to him...

RUN

huff

huff

RUN

RUN

...I DON'T WANT
TO BECOME LIKE
ALL YOUR PAST
PARTNERS.

Even though
I had wanted

to be kind
to him...

Hah

When it
comes to you,
Yuuki-kun,
my emotions
become a
jumbled mess.



EVEN AT THIS AGE,
I'M STILL SUCH AN
IDIOT...

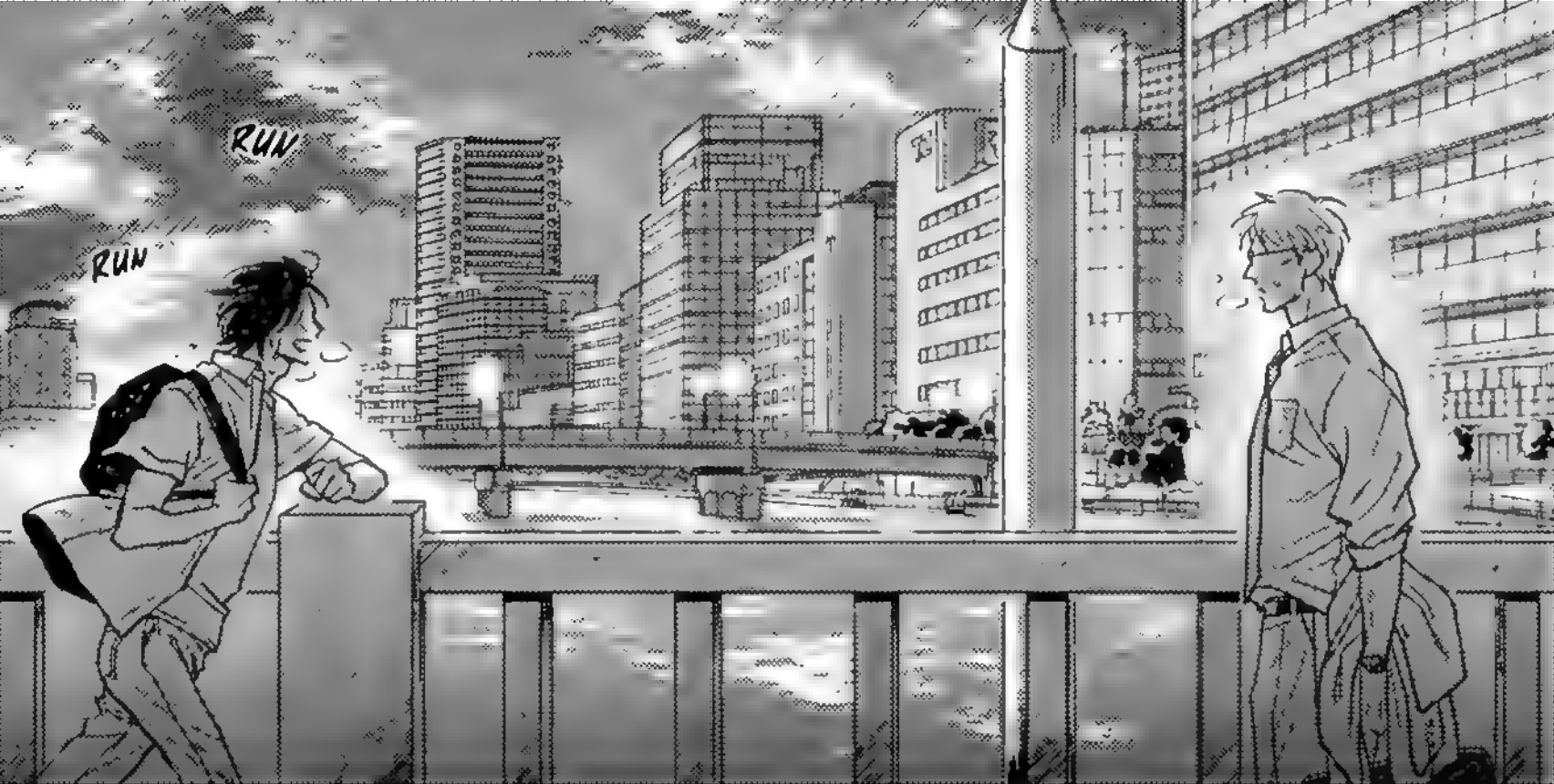
If I haven't changed
the way I treat you
in crucial moments
like these,



then it's only
natural that
our relationship
would fall apart.



TAKAFUMI-SAN!



I CAME
RUNNING
HERE...

...h
AS SOON
AS WORK
ENDED...

Haa...

ANYWAY,
I'M REALLY
GLAD...



So hot...

I WANTED
TO TELL
YOU...

AS SOON AS
I POSSIBLY
COULD,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.

huff

I FIGURED
YOU WOULD STILL
BE AT YOUR
OFFICE...

huff



THAT WE DIDN'T
JUST MISS EACH
OTHER...



WAL!!!

WE'RE IN
PUBLIC...

YUUKI-KUN,
I'M SORRY...

UP WITH
YOU,

I BELIEVED
THAT PUTTING UP
A STRONG FRONT,
NO MATTER HOW
BUSY I WAS,

WAS AN IDEAL WAY
FOR ME TO SHOW
THAT I CARED FOR
MY PARTNER



I MAY HAVE
LOST SIGHT OF YOU,
EVEN THOUGH YOU
WERE RIGHT THERE
BESIDE ME.

DUE TO
MY SELFISH
JEALOUSY AND
CONVICTIONS,

BUT I WAS
WRONG.



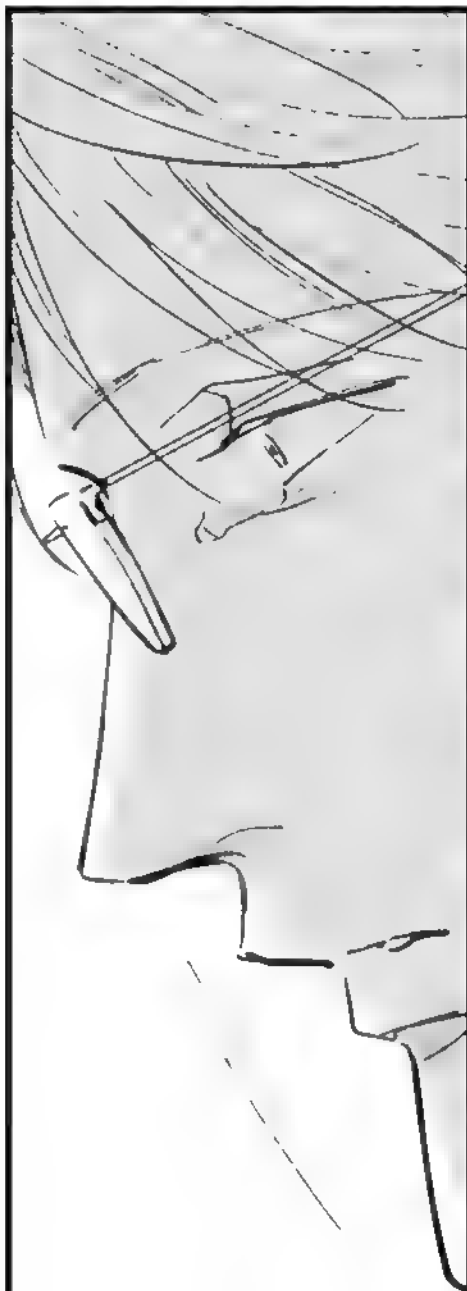
Hehe.
OF COURSE!

SO WOULD YOU
COMFORT ME IN
YOUR ARMS WHEN
THOSE OCCASIONS
ARISE?

FROM NOW ON,
I'LL BE HONEST
AND TELL YOU
EVEN WHEN I'M
HAVING A ROUGH
TIME,

THE OTHER DAY...
THANK YOU FOR
BEING CANDID
AND SPEAKING
YOUR MIND.

YOU'RE RIGHT,
I WAS OVERDOING
IT A BIT...



I'M QUITE
A FEW YEARS
YOUNGER THAN YOU,
TAKAFUMI-SAN...
AND IN YOUR EYES
I MAY APPEAR HARD
TO RELY ON,

BUT I WANTED
YOU TO OPEN UP
AND SHOW ME YOUR
VULNERABLE
SIDE,

SO I'M HAPPY
TO HEAR YOU
SAY THAT.



ALSO...



...TO TELL YOU
THE TRUTH,

I WANTED TO
SPEND MORE TIME
TOGETHER...

SO I WAS
LONELY.




ACTUALLY,

I WAS TRYING
TO ENDURE IT,
BUT...

FWUMP

A close-up, black and white manga-style illustration of a woman's face. She has long, dark, wavy hair and is looking down with a somber expression. A speech bubble is positioned near her forehead.

I FINALLY
REALIZED
THAT...

A close-up, black and white manga-style illustration of a woman's face. She has long, dark, wavy hair and is looking down with a somber expression. A speech bubble is positioned near her chin.

IF I WANTED
TO SEE YOU, THEN
I COULD HAVE JUST
COME TO SEE YOU
LIKE THIS...



Shoot...
Did I say
something
weird?

peek

...H-UM,

TAKAFUMI
-SAN...?

SILENT...

...!

WHAT?!

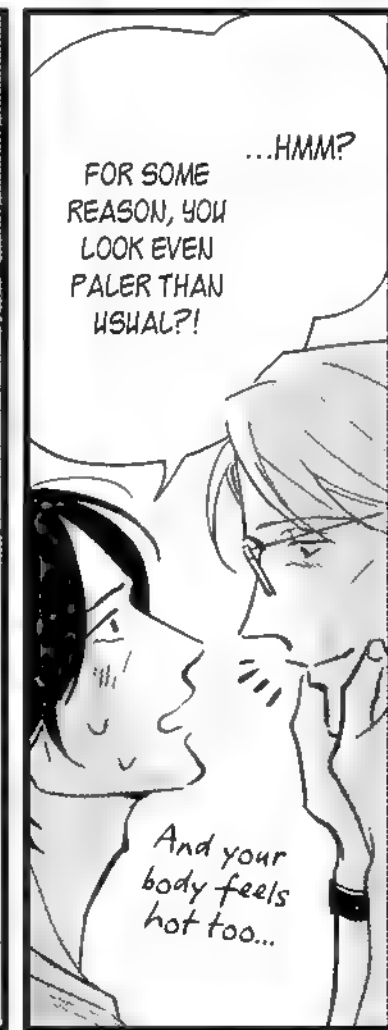
T-TAKAFUMI-SAN,
YOU ALWAYS DO
THESE SORTS OF
THINGS WITH A
STRAIGHT FACE!
YOU JUST DID
IT A COUPLE OF
MINUTES AGO
TOO!

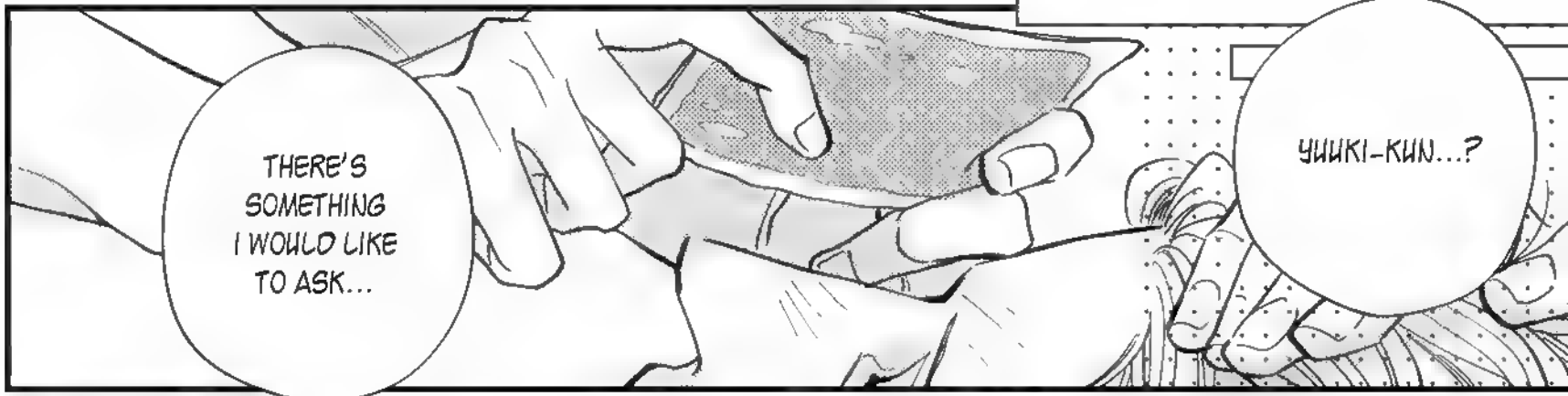
NO...
IT'S JUST
THAT...

IT'S THE FIRST
TIME YOU'VE EVER
DONE ANYTHING
LIKE THIS, SO
I WAS TAKEN
ABACK...

HUH?
WHY ARE YOU
BLUSHING...?

vrooom





THERE'S
SOMETHING
I WOULD LIKE
TO ASK...

YUUKI-KUN...?



fidget

I'M ASHAMED
TO ADMIT THIS,
BUT...

UM.....

I CAN'T HELP
FEELING
JEALOUS...



DO YOU
MEET UP WITH
SHIRAKAWA-SAN
OFTEN?

sticks

WHAT?



AND
ALSO...



WE JUST
HAPPEN TO
BUMP INTO
EACH OTHER.

OH...
IT'S NOT
LIKE THAT,

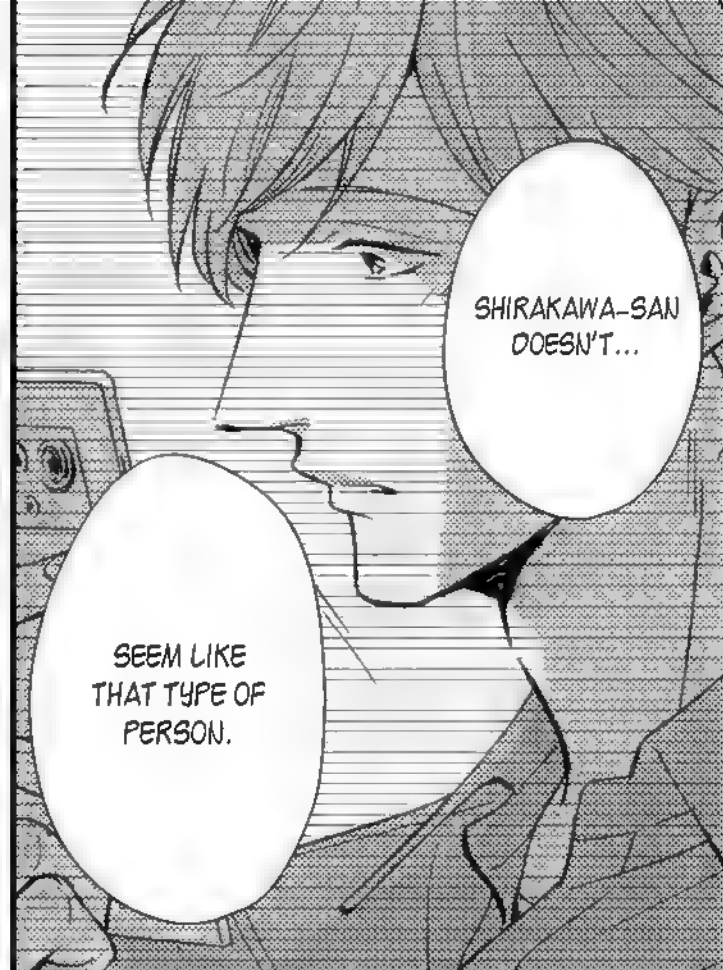
...HUH?



YES.

There's no
cause for
concern.

YOU THINK SO?



SHIRAKAWA-SAN
DOESN'T...

SEEM LIKE
THAT TYPE OF
PERSON.



I SEE...

That's a
relief.



ALTHOUGH
IT'S LIMITED
TO YOU,
YUUKI-KUN.

IT APPEARS
THAT I AM MORE
POSSESSIVE
THAN I THOUGHT,

THAT
MAKES ME
EVEN
HAPPIER!



YOU KNOW,

I'M ACTUALLY
QUITE HAPPY
THAT I GET TO SEE
THIS SIDE OF YOU,
TAKAFUMI-SAN.



IT'S ABOUT
TIME FOR US TO
DECIDE ON ONE,
DON'T YOU THINK?

The inns we
were talking
about before.

AFTER EVERYTHING
SETTLES DOWN AT
WORK FOR YOU,
I'D LIKE TO GO TO
A HOT SPRING.



IT MAY COME
OFF A LITTLE
EAGER,

BUT WOULD IT
BE ALRIGHT NOW
FOR ME TO MAKE A
SELFISH REQUEST,
TAKAFUMI-SAN?

WHAT
IS IT?



I WOULDN'T
CONSIDER THAT A
SELFISH REQUEST
AT ALL.

What?
It's not?

Haha

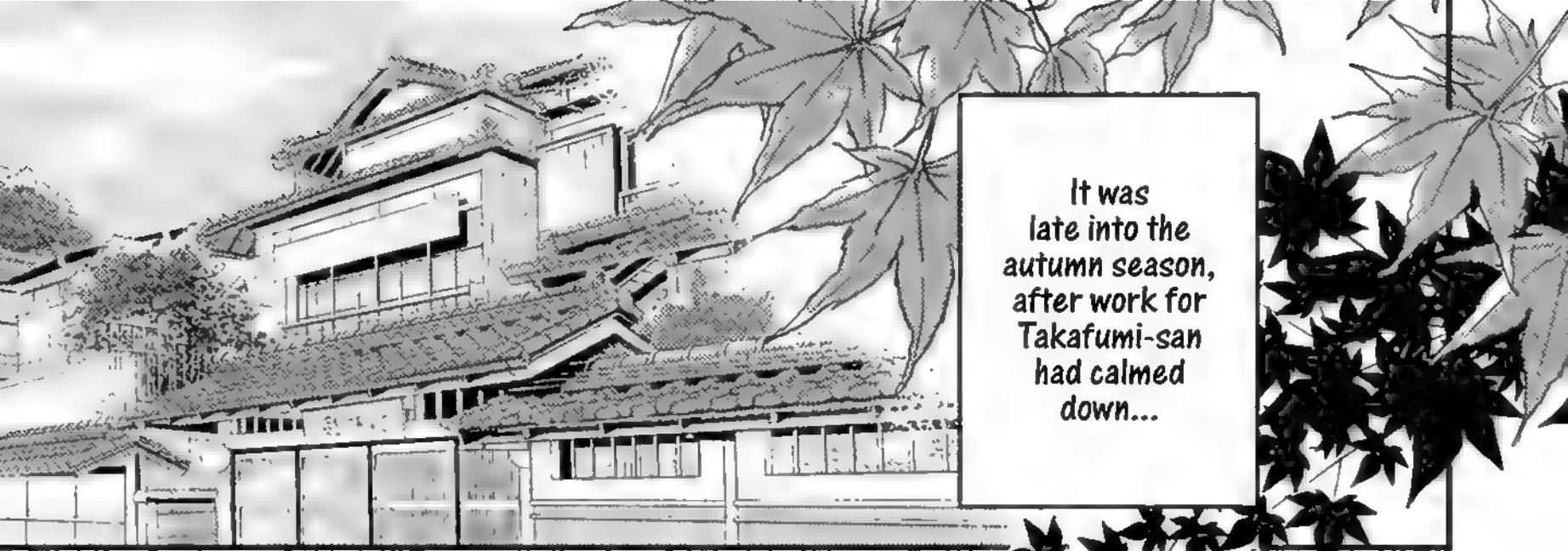


JUST
KIDDING!

THAT'S
A LITTLE TOO
SOON TO BE
REALISTIC...

EH?!

THEN
LET'S GO
NEXT WEEK!



It was
late into the
autumn season,
after work for
Takafumi-san
had calmed
down...



You may
park your car
over here.

That was
when we
finally
made it
happen.

Oooh...
This looks
wonderful...

THE
HISTORIC
INN!!

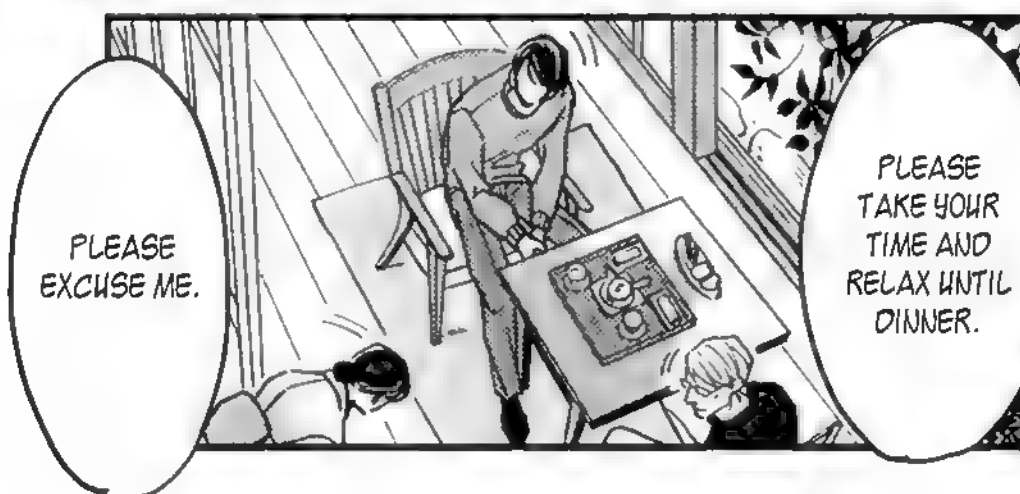
We've
been looking
forward to
our stay
with you!

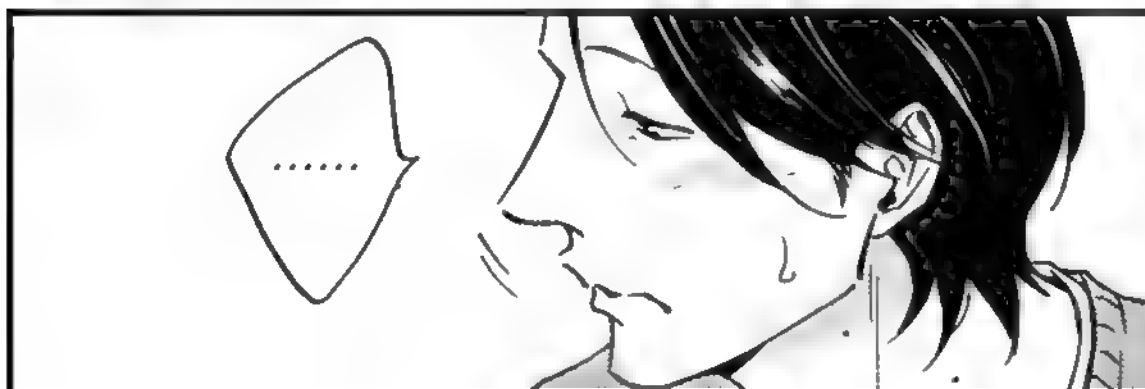


CHAPTER 05

Our one-night,
two-day trip to
a hot spring!
(Including
a full course
dinner teeming
with crab.)









BUT LET ME
KNOW THE NEXT
TIME YOU MAKE
A CHANGE,

SO I CAN
PREPARE
MYSELF...



THE SAME
GOES FOR
ME TOO...

I DON'T
WANT ANYONE
ELSE TO SEE
YOUR NAKED
BODY EITHER.

IF THAT'S
WHAT YOU WANTED,
THEN I'M FINE
WITH IT.



SINCE
IT'S CHILLY,
HOW ABOUT
WE TAKE A DIP
IN THE HOT
SPRING?

SURE!

I'LL KEEP
THAT IN MIND.

I UNDERSTAND.

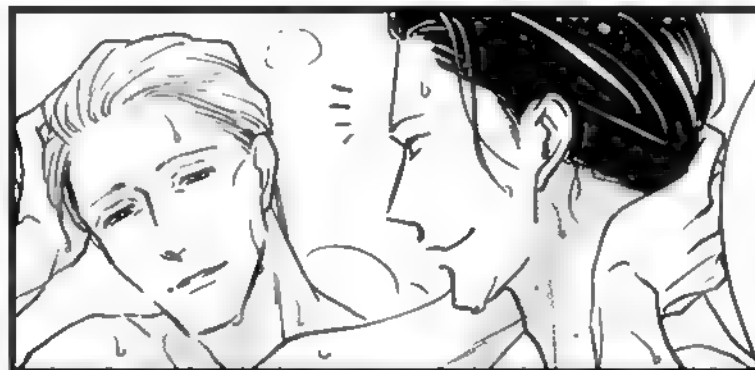


IT DOES FEEL WONDERFUL...

Haa...
HOT SPRINGS ARE THE BEST...



I'M ECSTATIC THAT I FINALLY GET TO SPEND SOME LEISURELY TIME WITH YOU, TAKAFUMI-SAN.



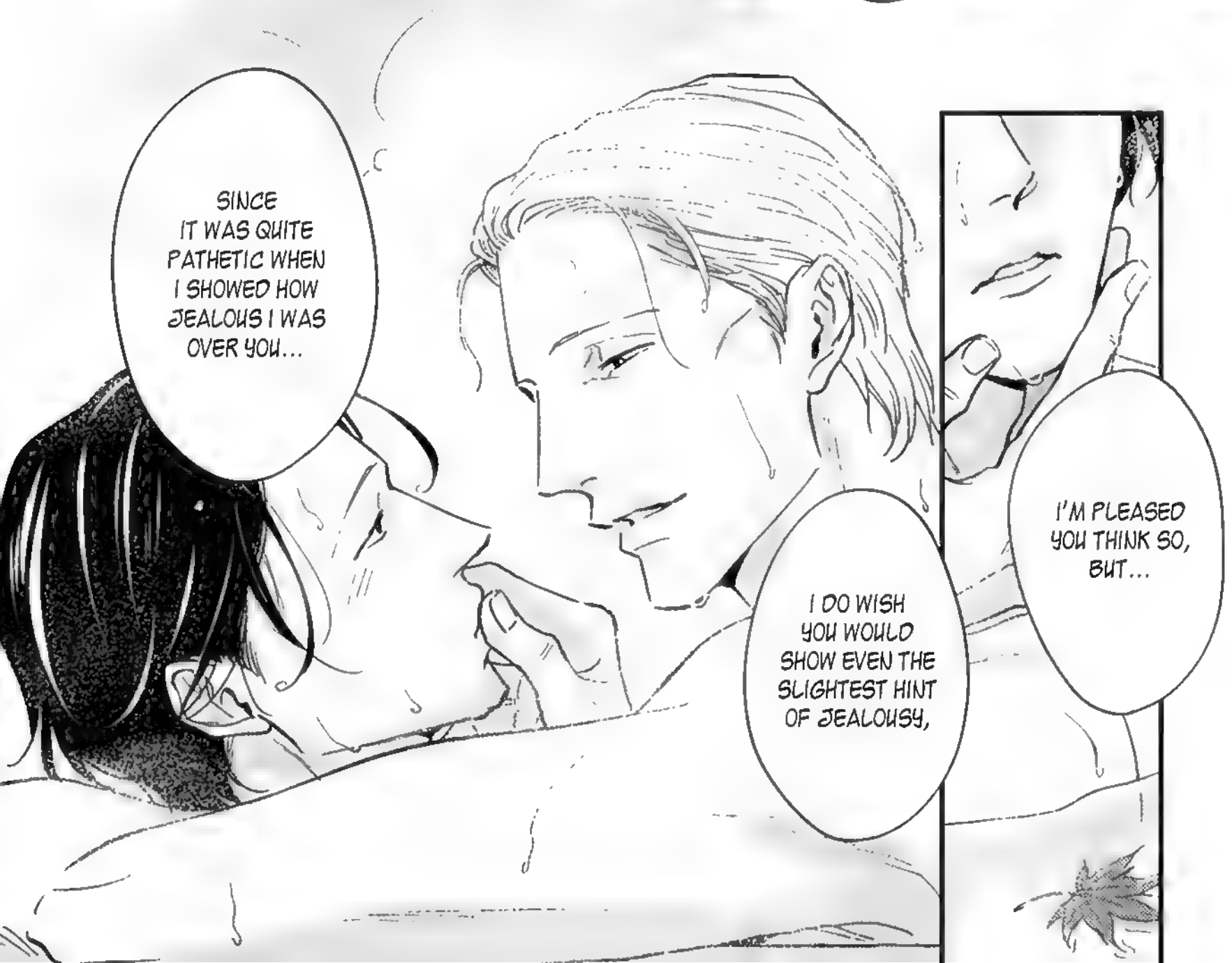
IT WAS A LONG DRIVE DOWN AND WE WALKED A LOT, SO YOU MUST BE TIRED.



I WAS ABLE TO SEE THE PLACES I WANTED TO VISIT, PLUS OUR INN AND THE HOT SPRINGS ARE AWESOME.

THAT'S TRUE, BUT...







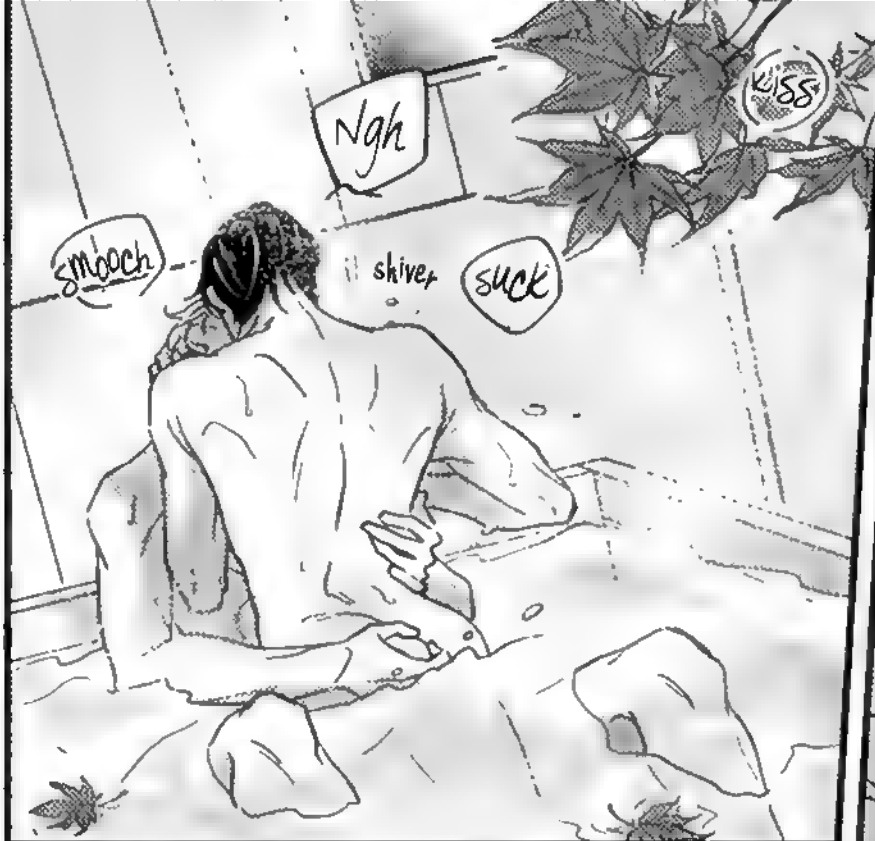
...IT'S
NOT THAT
I'M IMMUNE TO
JEALOUSY.



TAKAFUMI-SAN,
YOU ALREADY
BELONG TO
ME...

IT'S JUST
THAT...

thud





I WILL
BE YOURS
REGARDLESS.

Haa



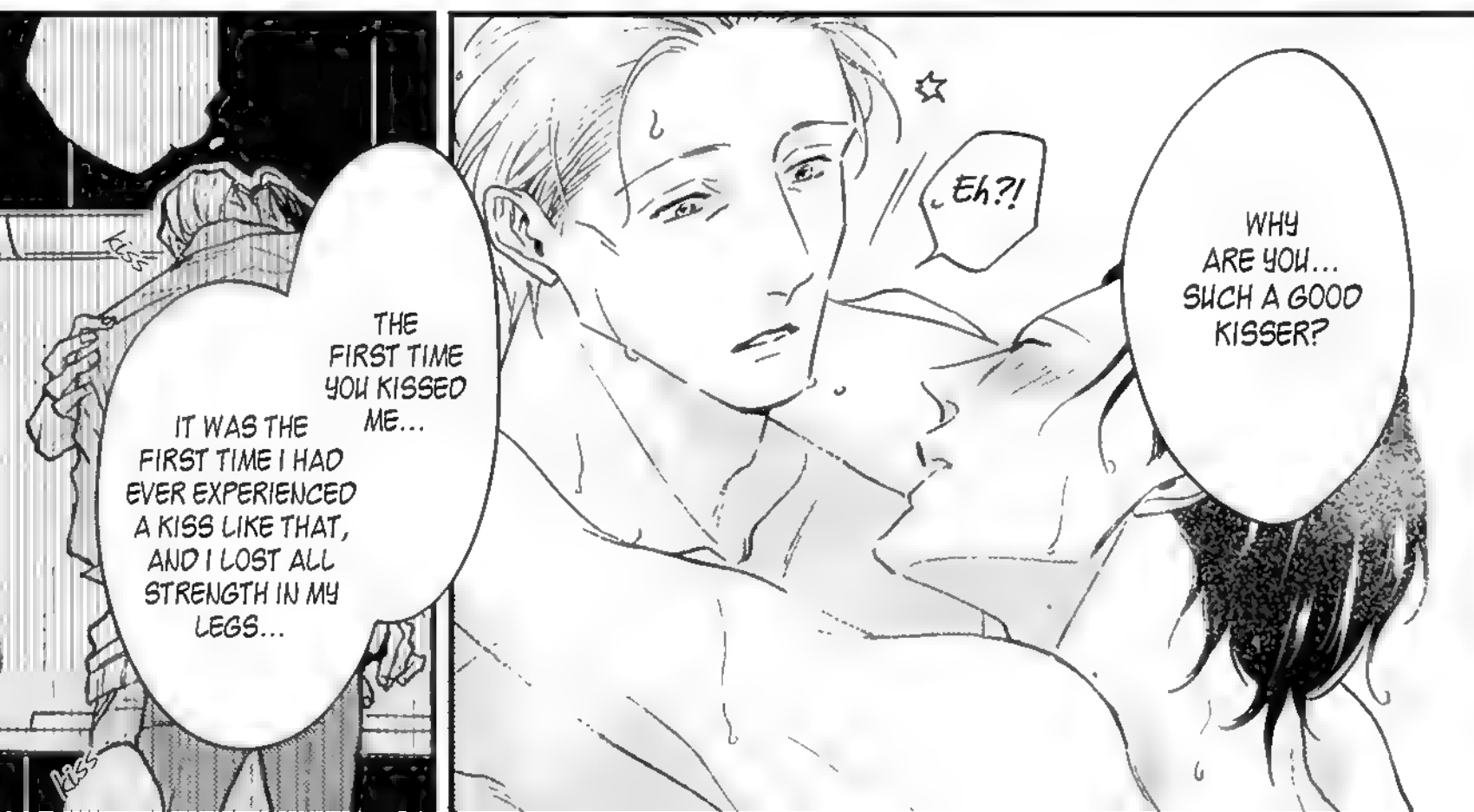
THE THOUGHT
CROSSED MY
MIND BEFORE,
BUT...

leans...

HM?

TAKAFUMI-SAN,
HM...

...nh

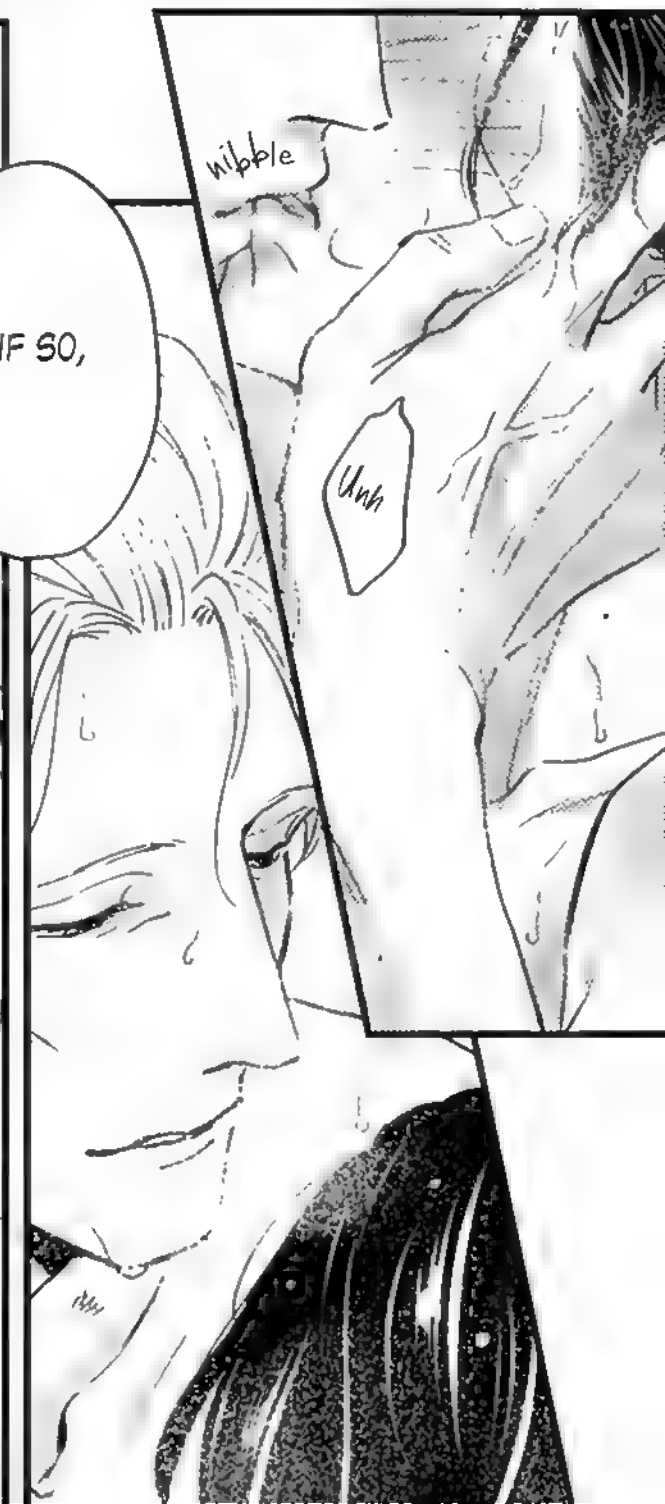


Eh?!

WHY
ARE YOU...
SUCH A GOOD
KISSER?

THE
FIRST TIME
YOU KISSED
ME...

IT WAS THE
FIRST TIME I HAD
EVER EXPERIENCED
A KISS LIKE THAT,
AND I LOST ALL
STRENGTH IN MY
LEGS...







LET'S ORDER SOME LATER.



WHITE WINE COMPLEMENTS CRAB QUITE WELL TOO.



THE CRAB IS SO DELICIOUS THAT I KEEP TOSSING DOWN MY DRINK.

RIGHT!

LET ME POUR YOU ANOTHER CUP OF SAKE, TAKAFUMI-SAN!



NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THE LAST TIME I HAD CRAB...

WAS WITH YOU, AROUND THE TIME WE FIRST MET.



WHAT FOND MEMORIES...

DID HE... REFER TO HIMSELF INFORMALLY JUST NOW?! SO RARE!!



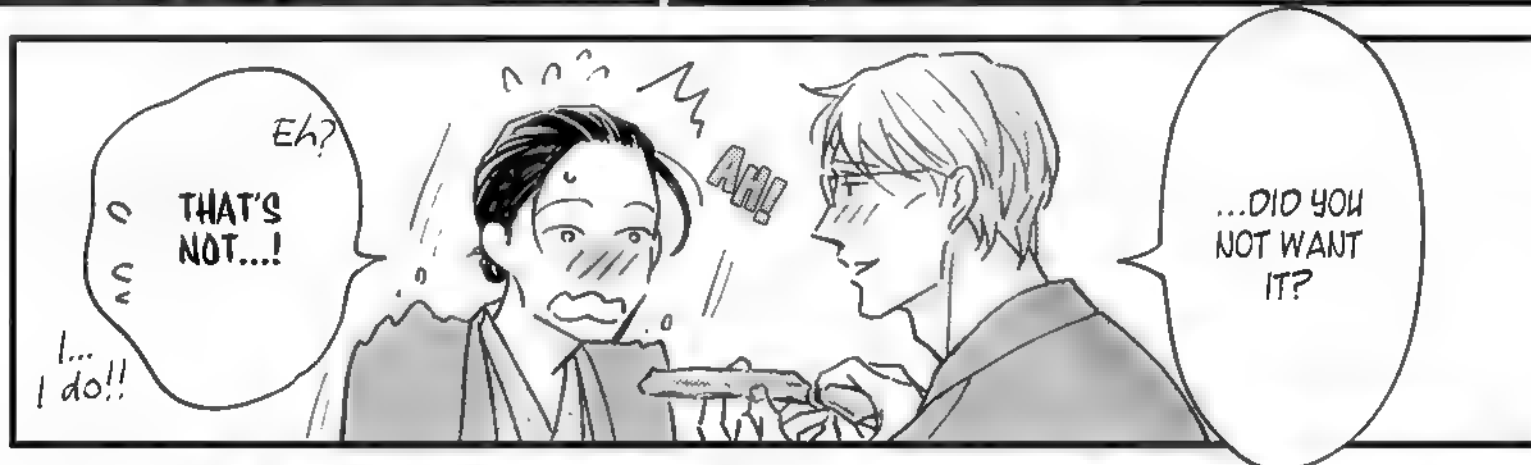
AHH...

THE SAME GOES FOR ME...



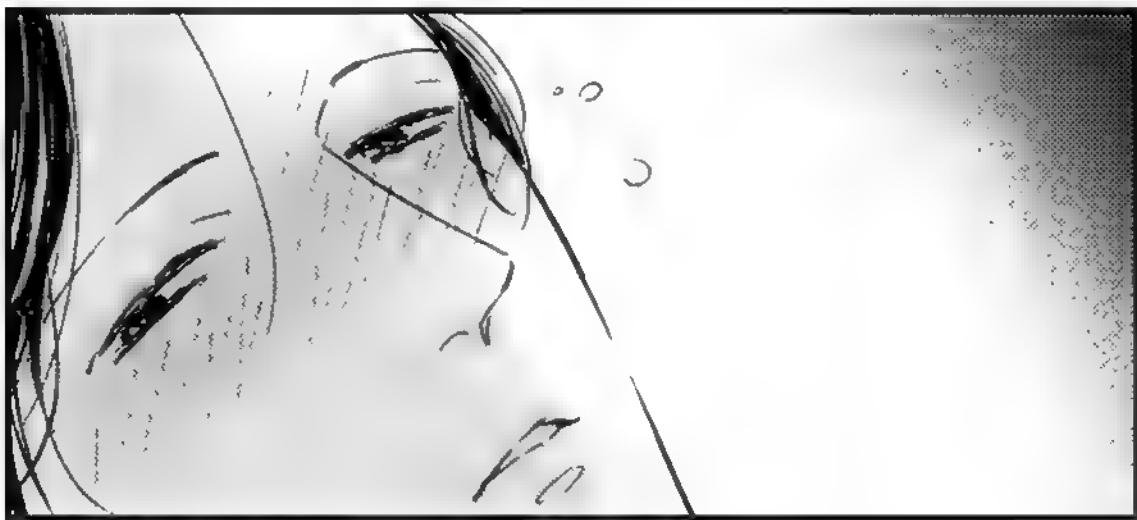
YUUKI-KUN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY SOME OF THIS CRAB?

That makes me kind of happy...

















YES?

I WON'T...
BE ABLE TO
STIFLE MY
MOANS,
SO...

DON'T...
DO THAT...!

Ngh

...h

sucks...

slurp



Agh!

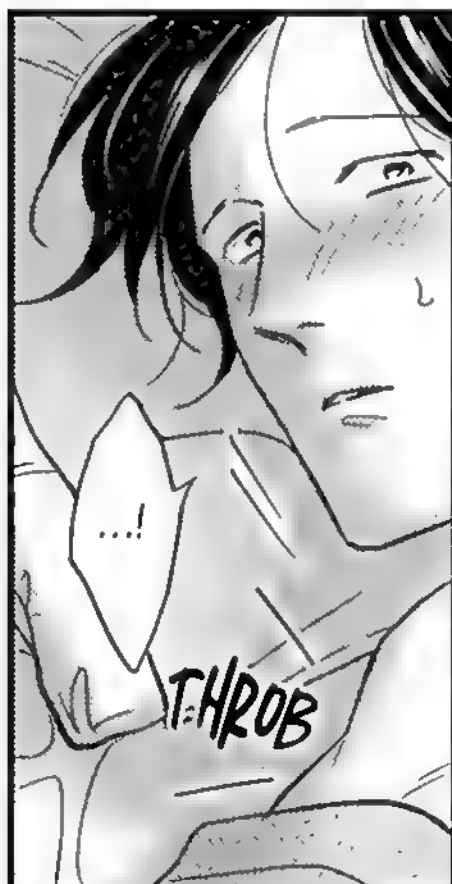
VERK

squelch














IF THAT'S
HOW IT IS,

tremble...

I'LL MAKE LOVE
TO YOU UNTIL MY
DESIRE IS SATED.

SNAP



Haa

Ah...

CRASH

...I'M SORRY,

I MAY NOT
BE ABLE TO
CONTROL
MYSELF...

whisper

Thrust

Fwah!

OK...AY...

Ha...

Agh!

CREAK

SQUEAK

Ahh!

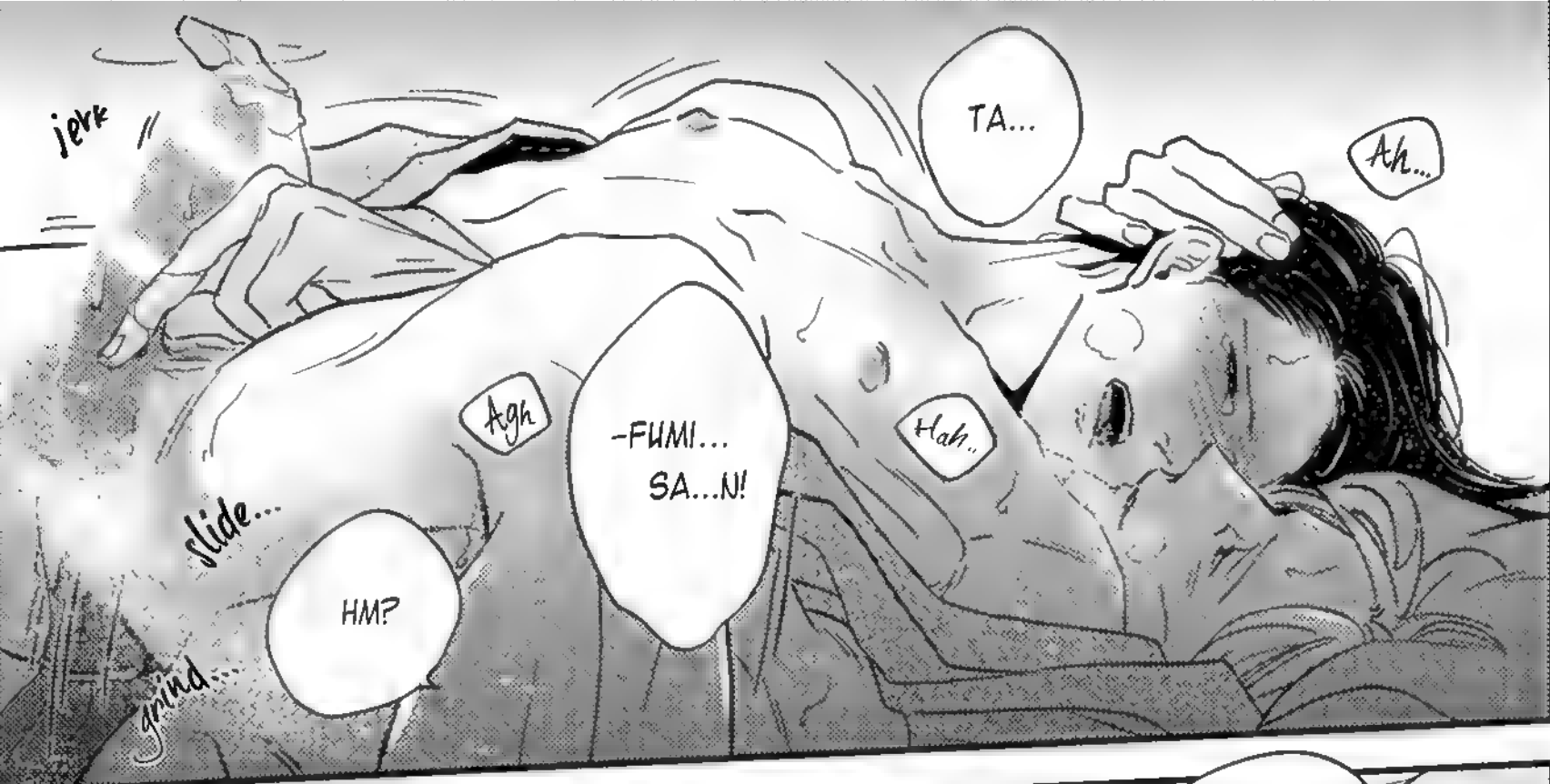


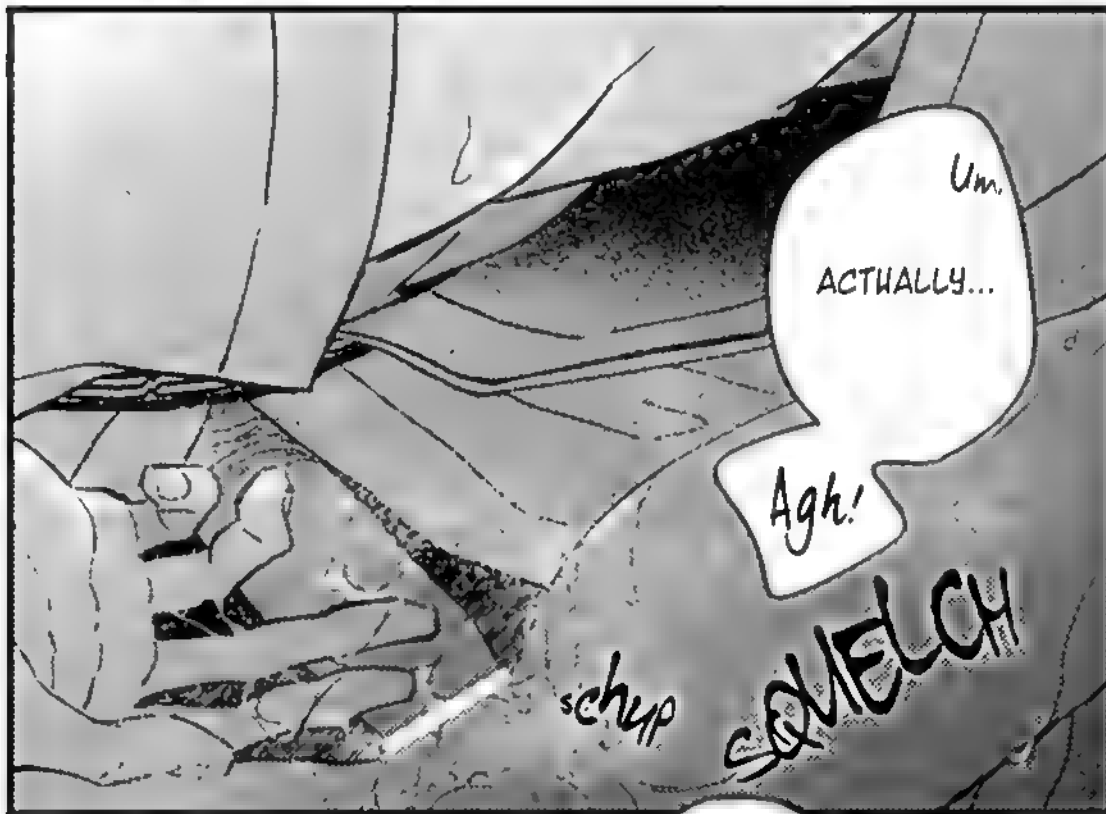
It's more intense... than usual...



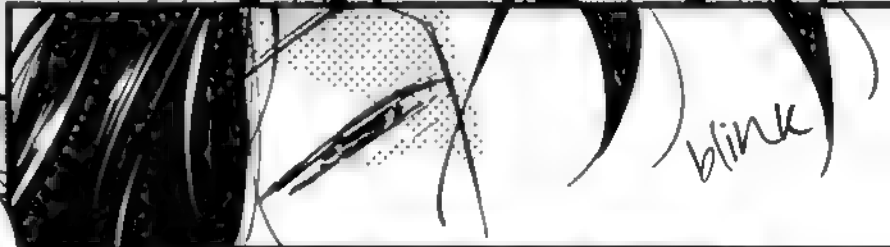
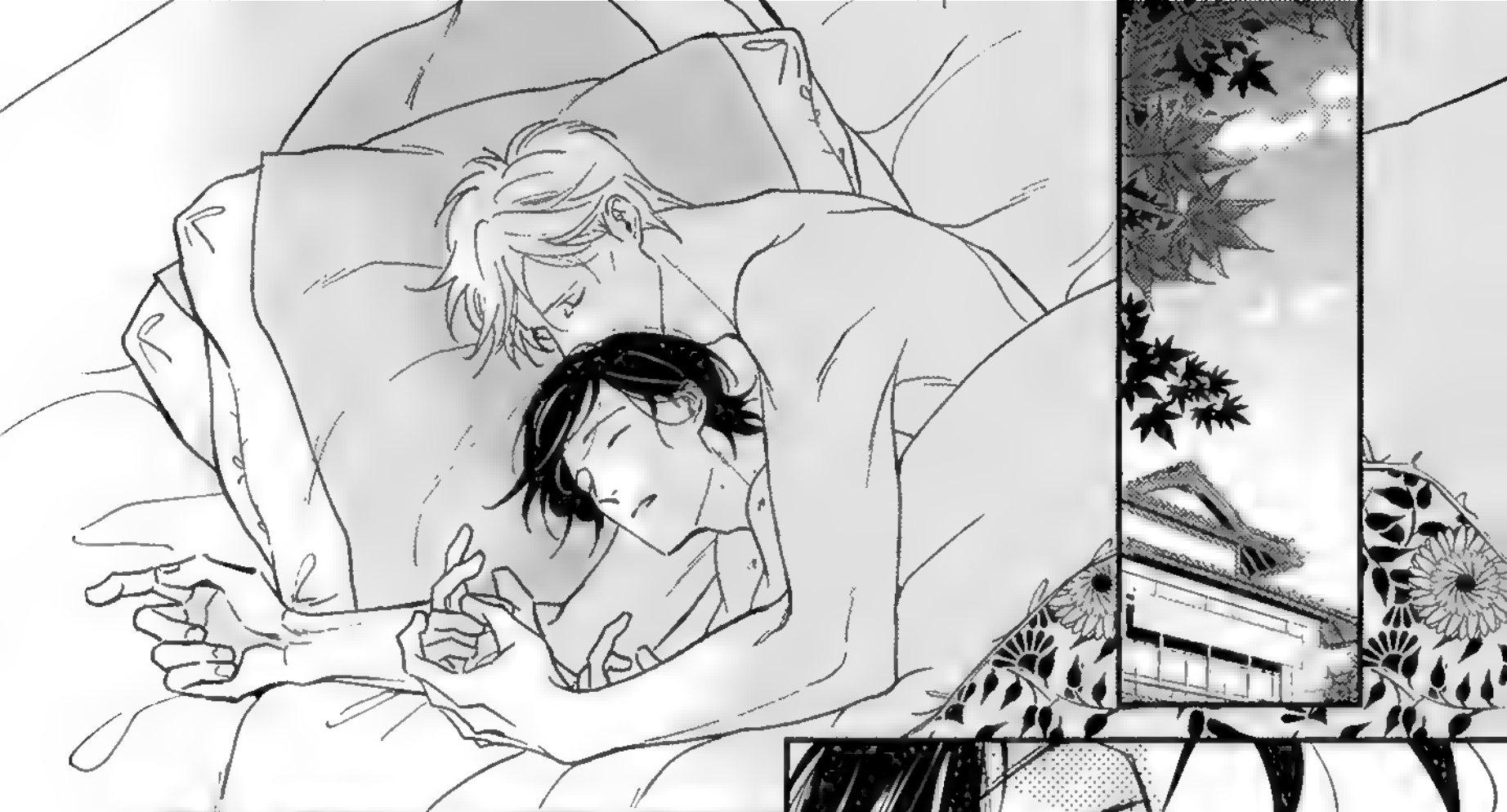












blink

Ah...

We made
such a
mess last
night...

.....

Dazed...

GASP

GOOD MORNING.

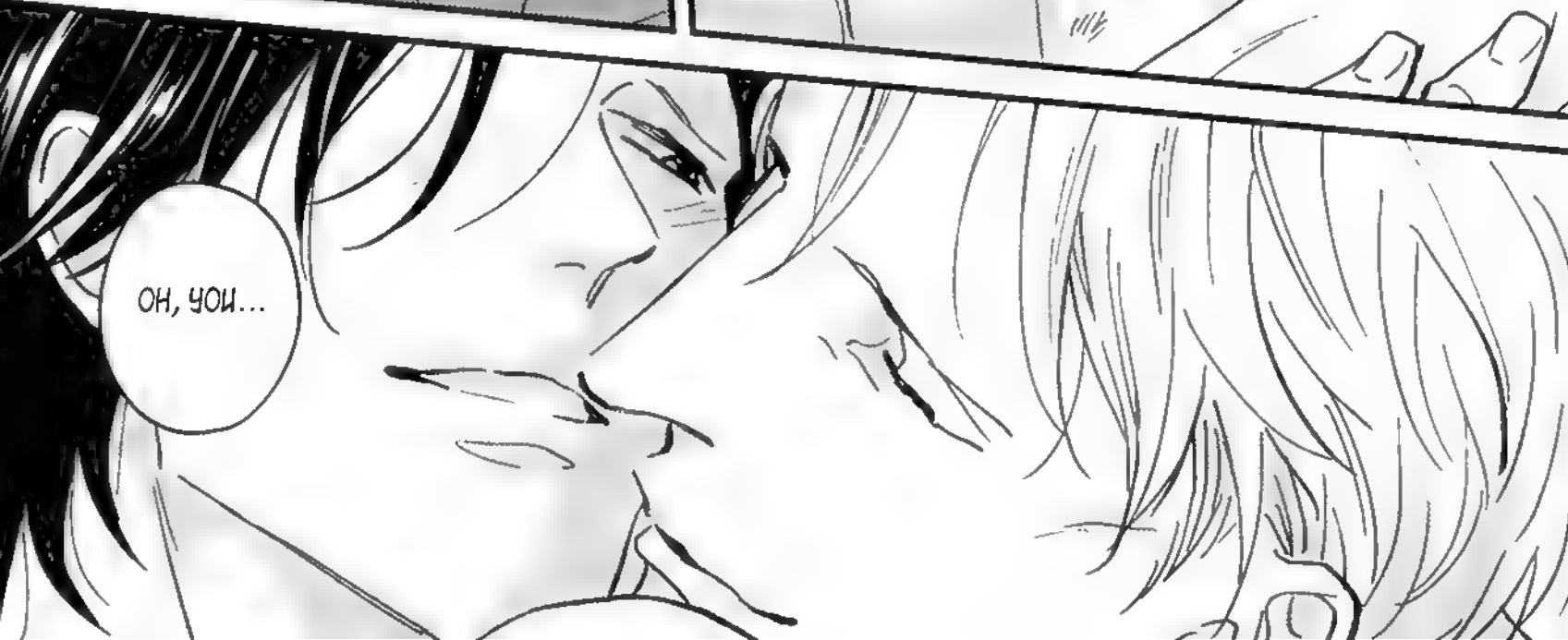
**MY SENSE
OF SHAME
SCATTERED
EVERYWHERE
LIKE OUR
CLOTHES!!**

I just
wanted
to bask
in the
moment!!

blink

AGHHHH...
















WHERE SHOULD
WE GO NEXT,
HM?

YUUKI-KUN.

To be continued

When Ise
opened
his eyes,
they were
already
home.

We somehow
arrived while
I gazed upon
your adorable
face while
you slept...

...Why
didn't you
wake me
up at the
service
area?!

Wail?

hgw!



chitara

•••

koi ga michi

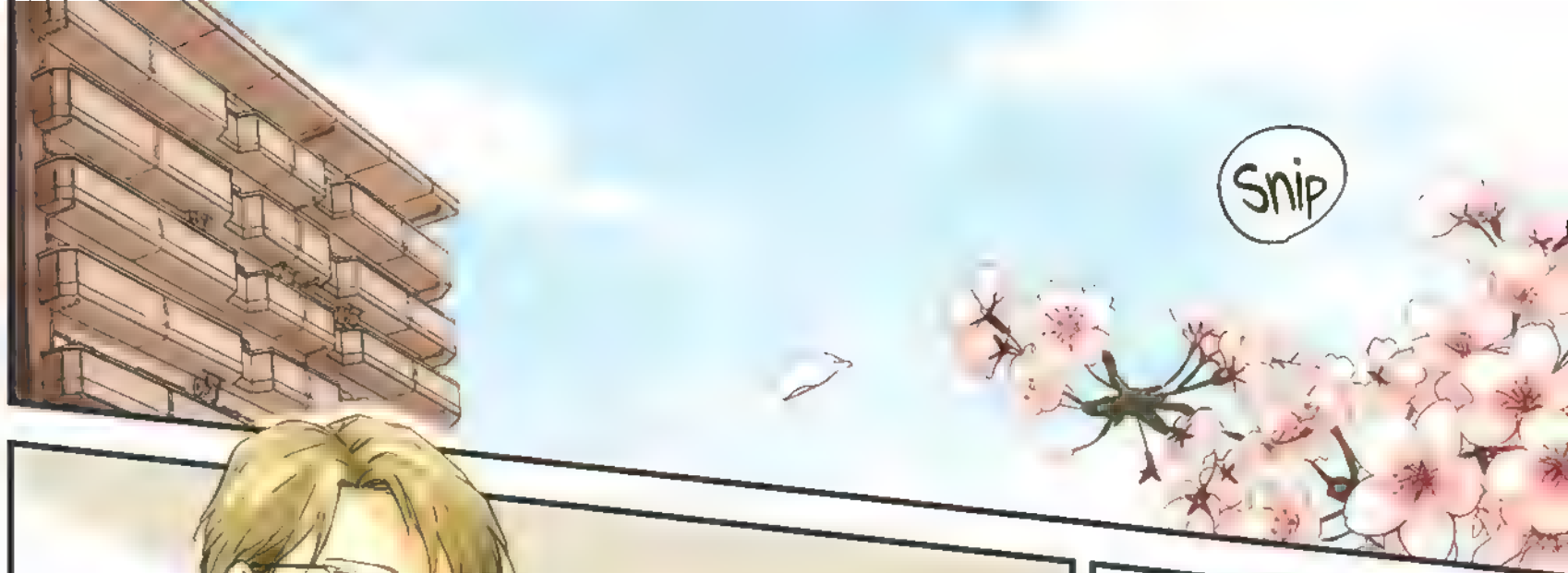
koi ga michitara

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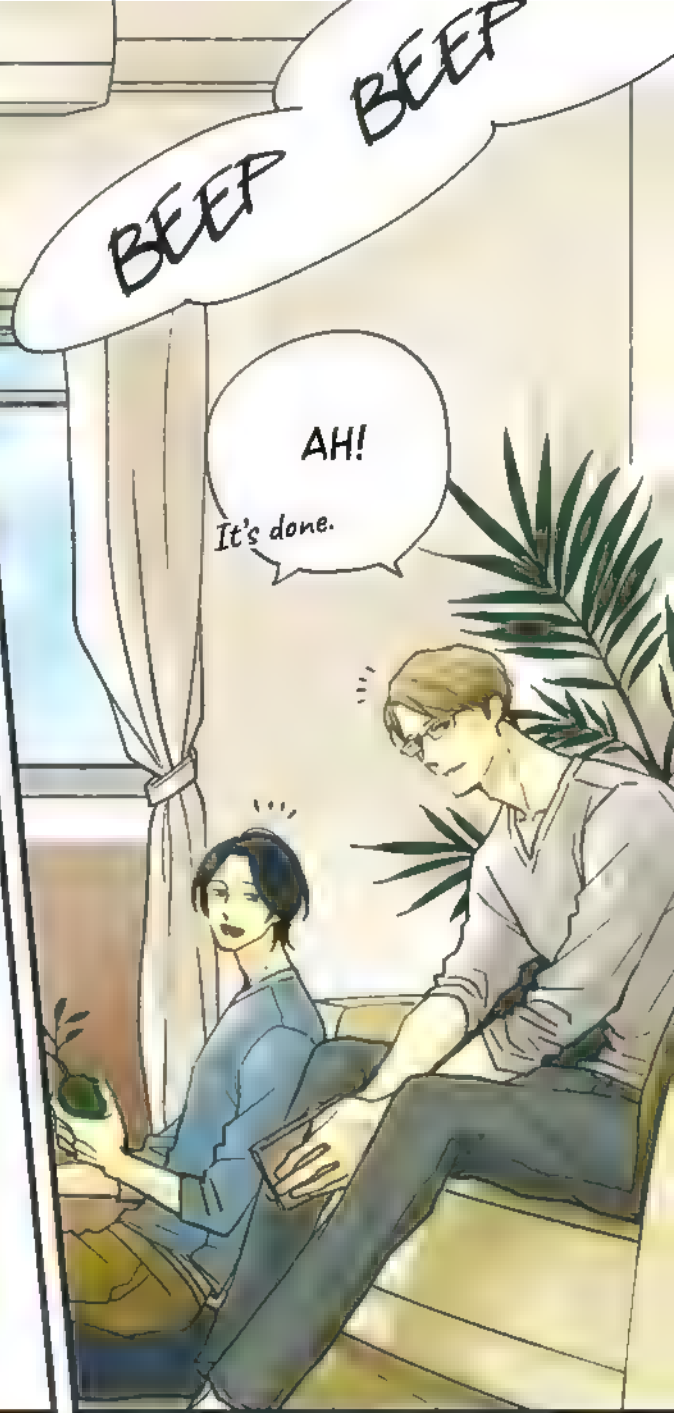
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WHY ARE YOU
LAUGHING?

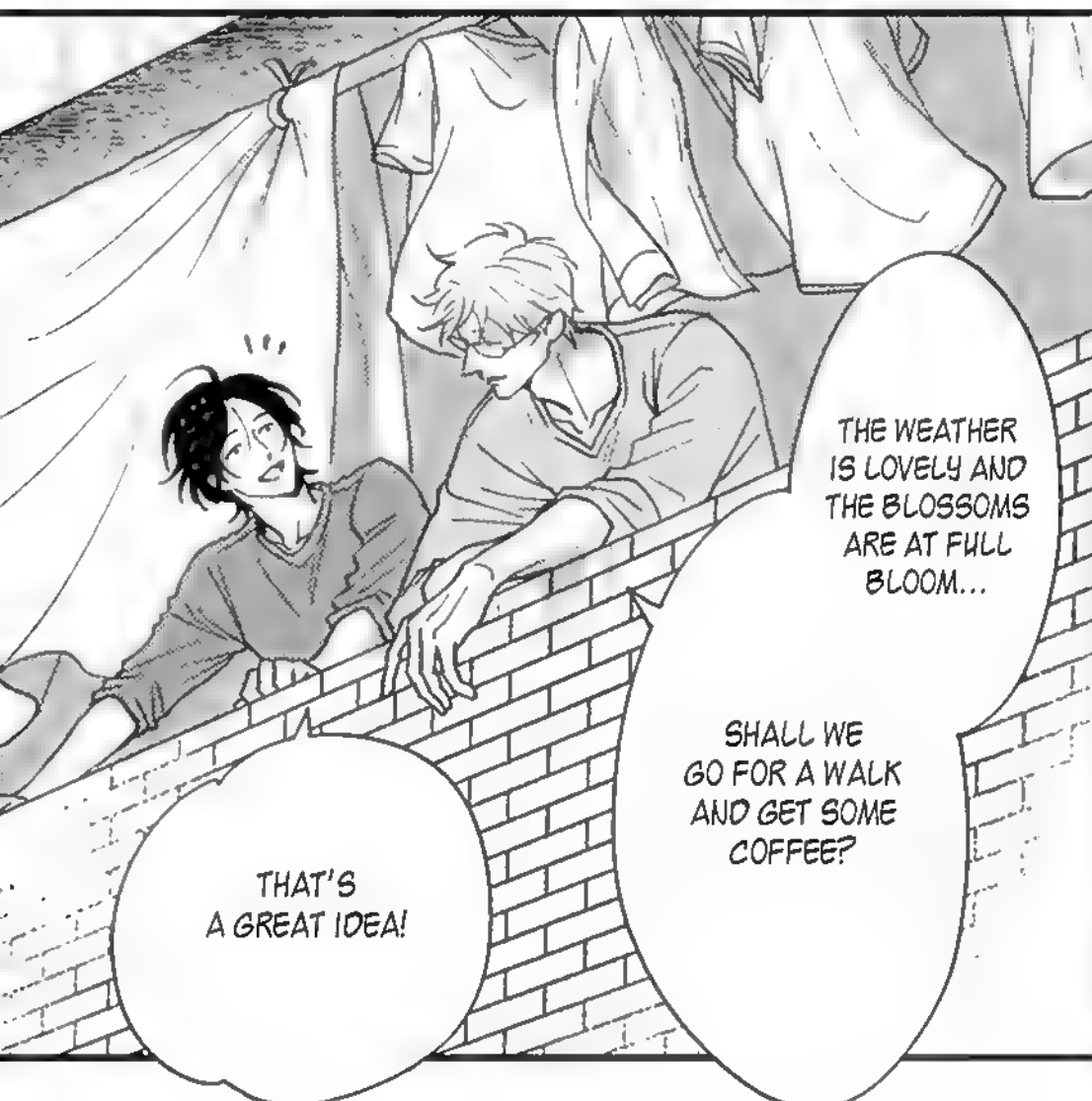


Hehe!



IT HAS BEEN
PRETTY WARM
LATELY.

THE CHERRY
BLOSSOMS
BLOOMED ALL
AT ONCE.



THAT'S
A GREAT IDEA!

THE WEATHER
IS LOVELY AND
THE BLOSSOMS
ARE AT FULL
BLOOM...

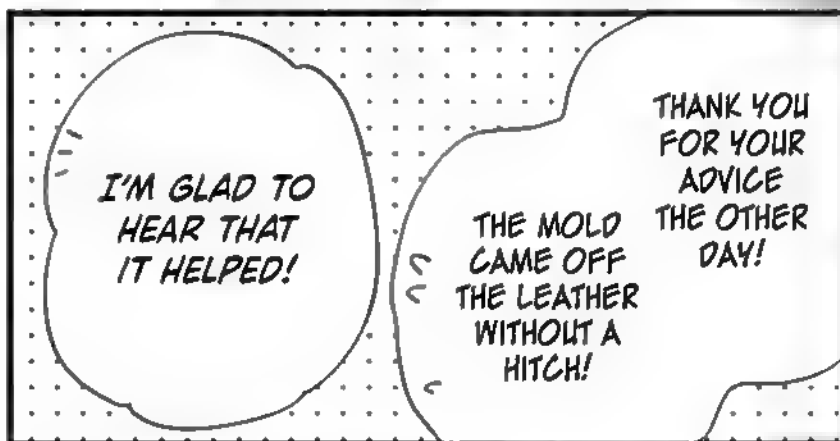
SHALL WE
GO FOR A WALK
AND GET SOME
COFFEE?



PART OF ME
WAS HOPING
YOU WOULD
DROP THE
LAUNDRY LIKE
YOU USED TO.

MY SINCEREST
APOLOGIES THAT
I COULDN'T MAKE
THAT HAPPEN.

clink



THANK YOU,
I'M HONORED
TO HEAR THAT.

I ALWAYS ENJOY
USING THE LEATHER
GOODS YOU MADE
BECAUSE OF THEIR
GREAT DESIGN AND
QUALITY.

IT'S A
PLEASURE
TO MEET YOU.
MY NAME IS
HISHIMOTO.

THEN WE'LL
TAKE YOU UP
ON YOUR KIND
OFFER...

CALLING
Manager
XXX-XXX-XXXX

VRRR VRRR

...WELL,

I'M WAITING
FOR SOMEONE
AND WE'LL BE
HEADING OUT
RIGHT AFTER.

SINCE
IT'S CROWDED,
WOULD YOU CARE
TO JOIN ME UNTIL
THEY ARRIVE?

Ah,
JUST A
MOMENT.

OF
COURSE.

It might
be urgent.

I'M GOING
TO STEP OUT
FOR A MINUTE.

VRV VRV





FIGHTS...?



DO YOU
NEVER...

GET INTO
FIGHTS
WITH EACH
OTHER?



Haha,
THANK YOU.



THERE WERE
MANY THINGS
I HADN'T NOTICED,
AND IT CAUSED
HIM TO FEEL
LONELY...

EVEN
THOUGH
I NOTICE
THINGS LIKE
THIS PETAL.



I WOULD SAY,
RATHER THAN
GETTING INTO
A FIGHT...



A SHORT
WHILE AGO,

WE HAD A
DISCUSSION
ABOUT HOW TO
IMPROVE OUR
FUTURE LIFE
TOGETHER.



spring

HOW
DID YOU
DISCUSS IT
WITH EACH
OTHER?!

...HOW-

mumble



I THOUGHT
IT WOULD BE
GOOD TO KNOW
FOR FUTURE
REFERENCE...

AH...
I'M SORRY.



BUT
ARE THINGS...
NOT GOING WELL
WITH YOUR
PARTNER?

...!



PARDON ME
IF I'M MISTAKEN,







T/N: Herons can sometimes be found eating baby ducks in the spring.





I THINK I'LL
TAKE ONE
TOO.



YEAH!
YOU MIGHT
AS WELL,



SINCE
WE'RE...

I MANAGED
TO CAPTURE A
LOVELY PHOTO.
Haha



I CONTENT!



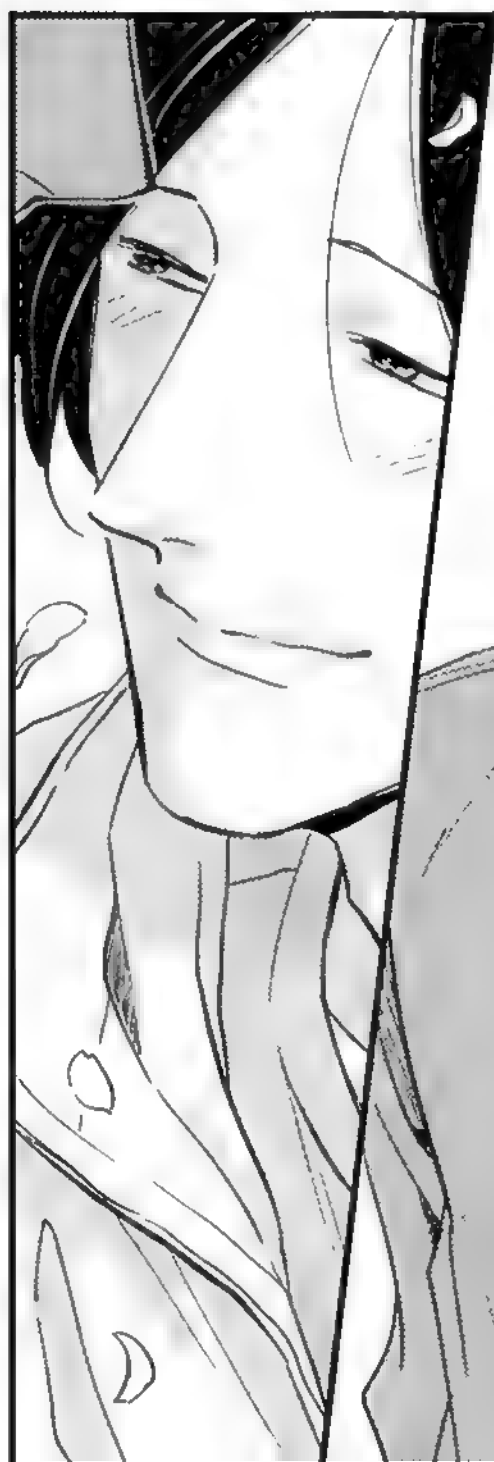
...Uh,
WHY ARE
YOU TAKING
A PICTURE
OF ME...?



HOW ABOUT
WE TAKE ONE
TOGETHER?



...IF YOU'RE
GOING TO TAKE
A PICTURE,



YOU'RE RIGHT.

Hugs



TAKAFUMI-SAN,
COME A LITTLE
CLOSER THIS
WAY?

NO,

MAYBE A
BIT MORE
TO THE
RIGHT...

OVER HERE?

They look
like they're
having
fun!

WHOA!

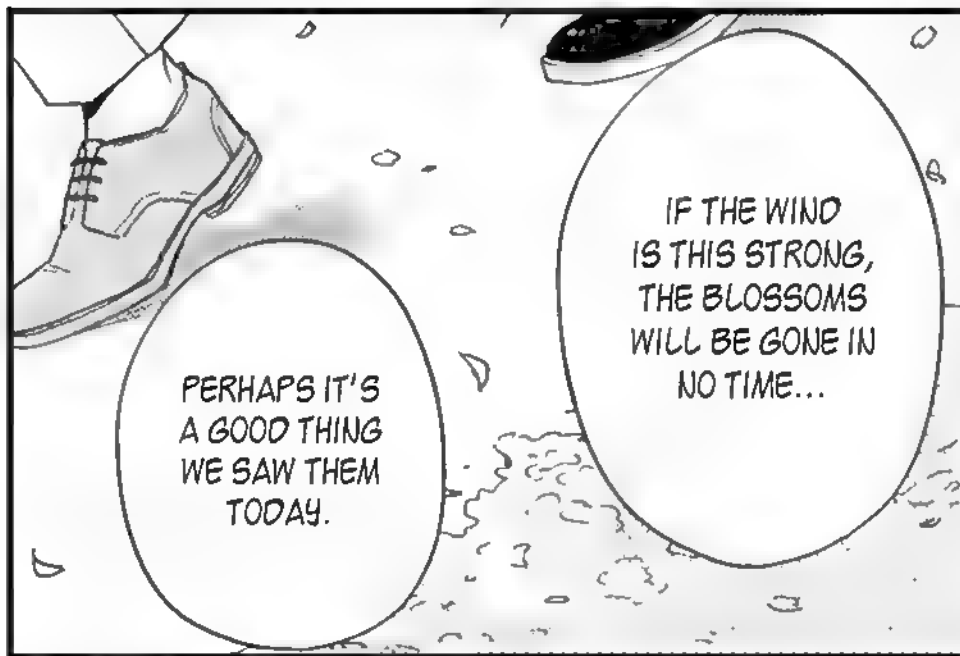
CLICK

RUSTLE

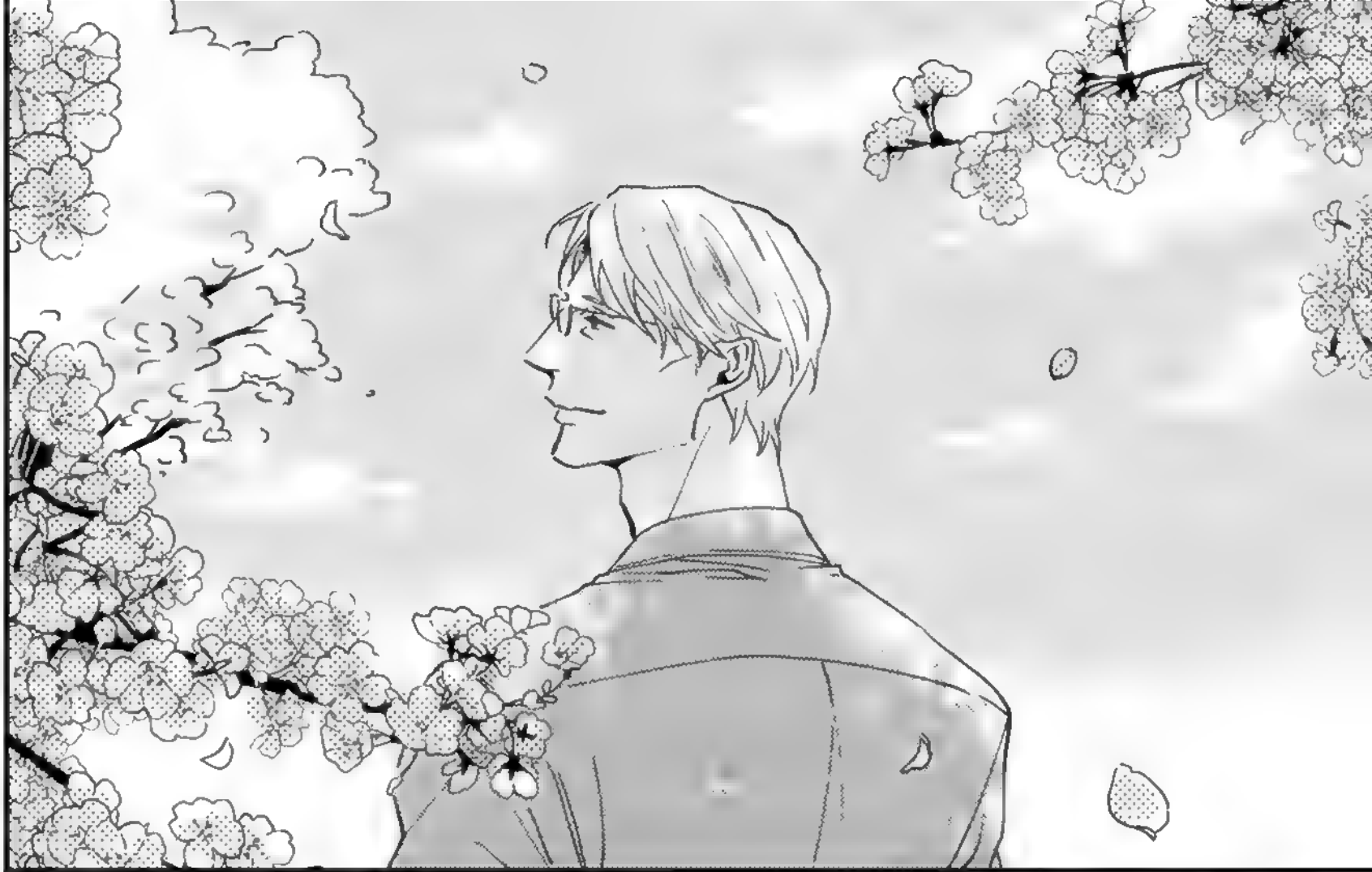
Kyaaa!!

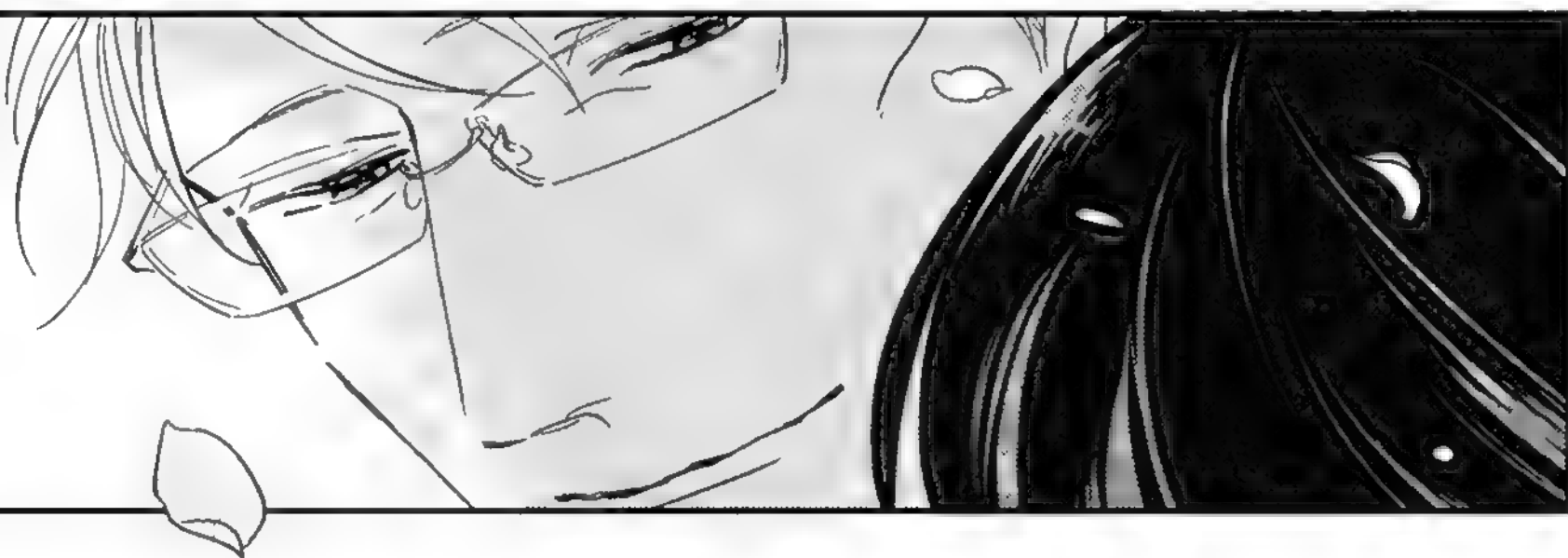
The
wind
is so
strong!

Haha!

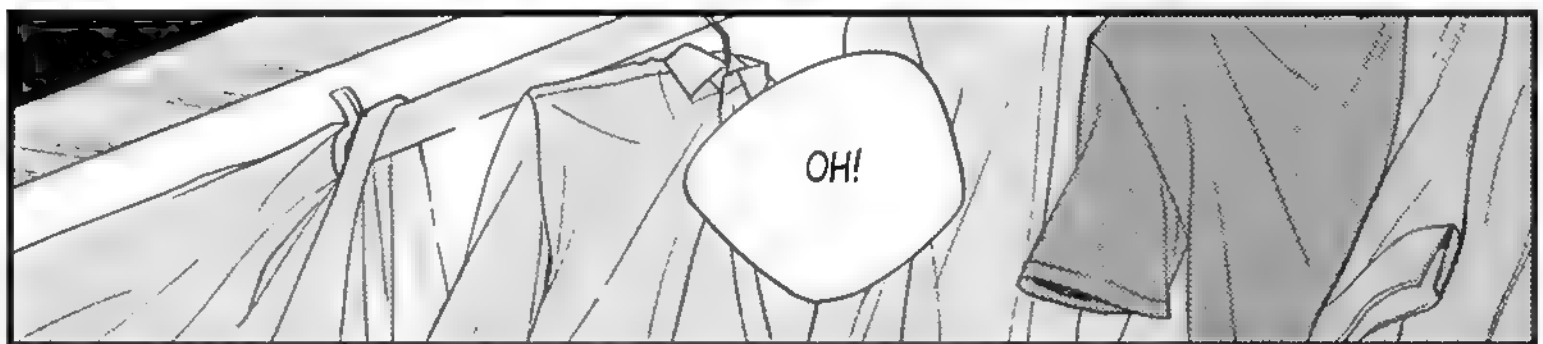









That
happiness
like this could
exist.











WHEN YOU LOOK
AT ME WITH THAT
SHY SMILE ON
YOUR FACE,

EVER SINCE
I MET YOU...

OR THOSE
MOMENTS WHEN
YOU GLANCE DOWN
BECAUSE YOU'RE
EMBARRASSED...




YOU NEVER STOP
BEING PRECIOUS
TO ME, IN ANY FORM
THAT YOU TAKE.

THOUGH
I SEE YOU
EACH AND
EVERY DAY,

WHEN YOU'RE
SURPRISED OR
ANGRY...

EVEN WHEN
YOU LOOK SAD,
THOUGH I WISH
THAT WERE
NEVER THE
CASE...



EVERY DAY THAT
I'M WITH YOU,

...THAT'S WHEN
I REALIZED THAT
THIS IS WHAT
HAPPINESS
TRULY IS.

Stop....!

SQUEAK

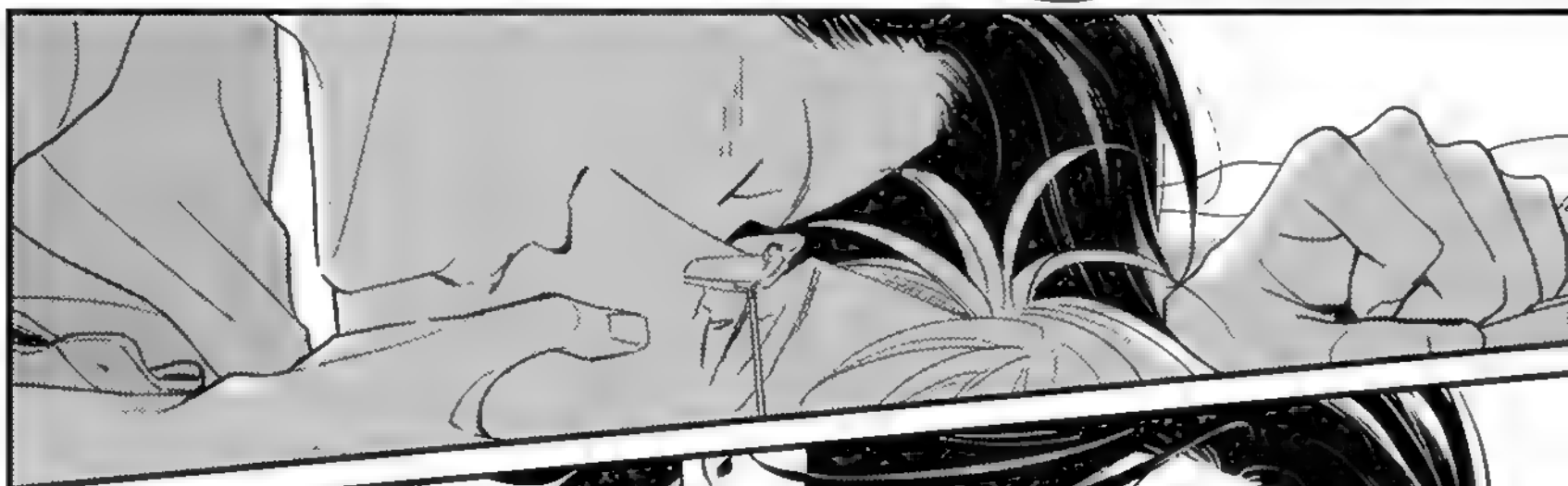
THAT'S
ENOUGH!

HEARING
THIS OUT OF
THE BLUE IS
MAKING MY
EARS BURN!

SO MANY EMOTIONS
COURSE THROUGH ME
THAT I CAN BARELY
KEEP THEM IN CHECK.

STUMBLE



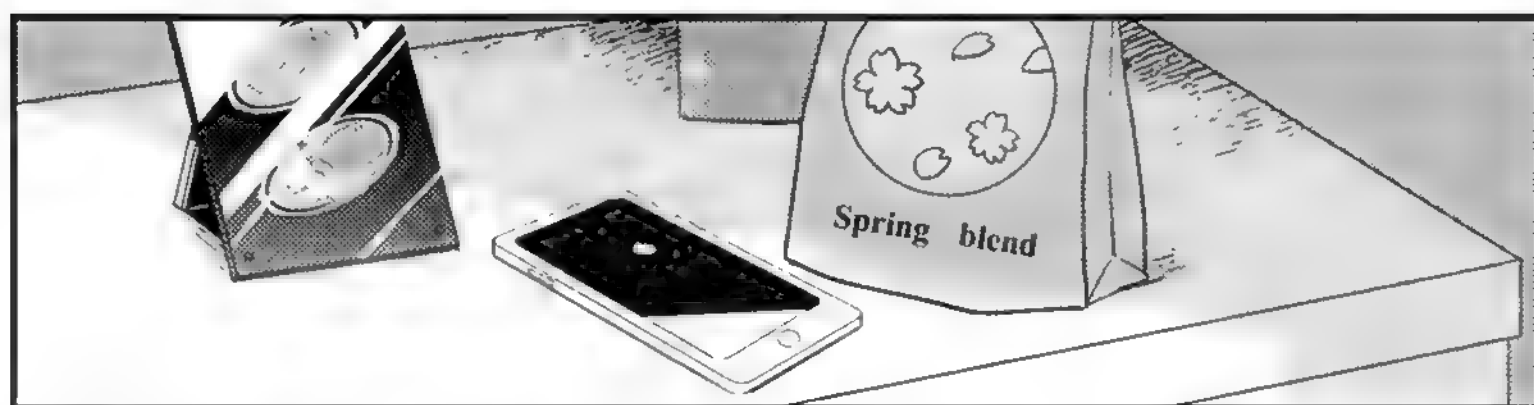




Our favorite cafe and the coffee beans we chose together.

The cherry blossoms we saw at full bloom.

The candid pictures of the two of us.



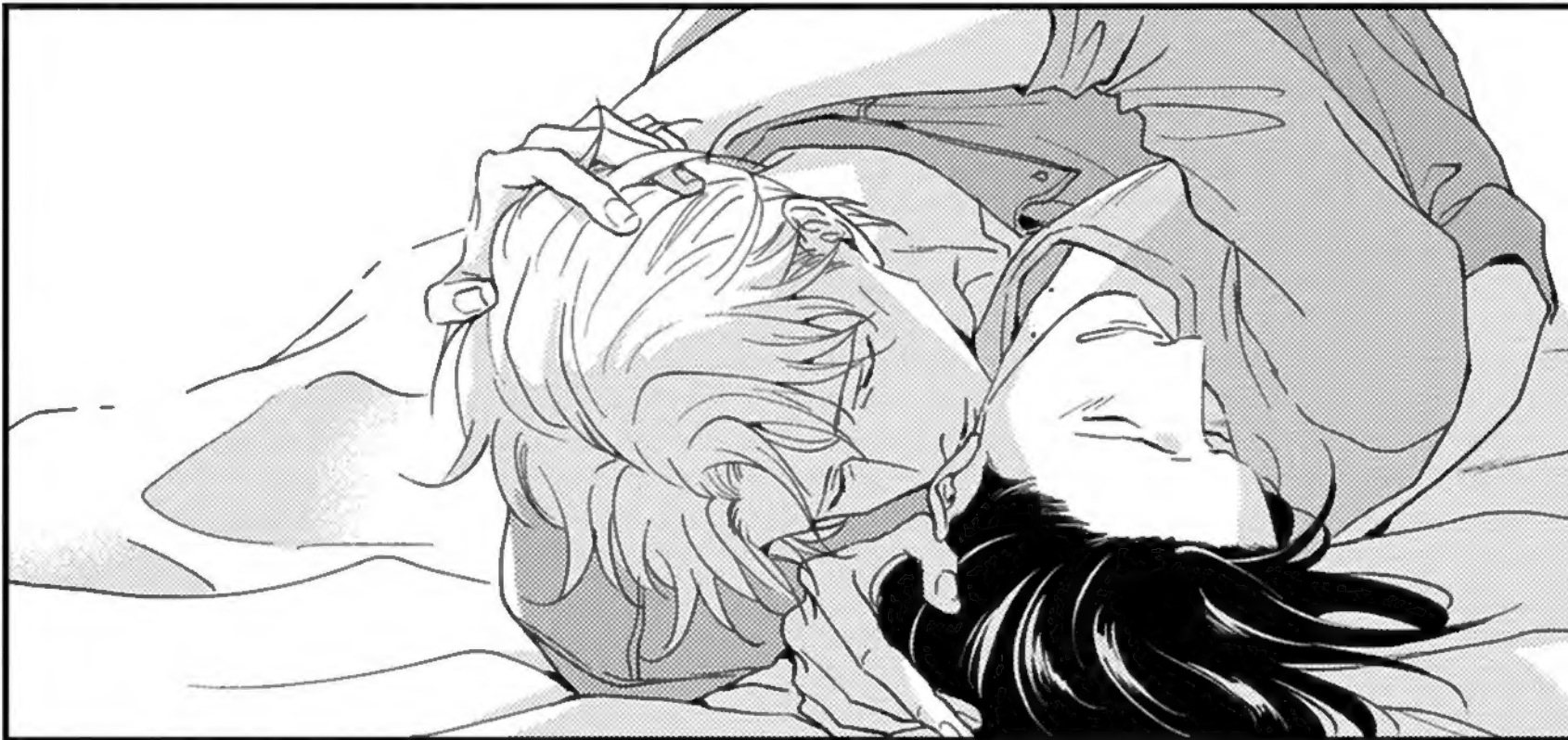
The aquarium where we were as giddy as children.



That night where we hurt each other with immature words.

That time we met on the bridge at daybreak.

That special trip we took.



The kiss at the door when we leave the house.

The lovely sensation of sheets against our bare skin.



The scent of laundry detergent...

YUUKI-KUN,

unchanging since we first met.

HOW ABOUT
WE SPEND TOMORROW
RELAXING AT HOME?

Simple days full of life's small pleasures.



SOUNDS
GREAT.

Our
relationship,
overflowing
with love.

End

